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LOCAL WEDDING.

MISS JEAN HO TUNG AND
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An important social event occurred yesterday, when Miss Jean Ho Tung, the daughter of Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung was married to Mr. W. M. Gittins, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gittins, of Kowloon.

The ceremony was performed in the Registry Office at 3.30 in the afternoon and was followed by a reception at the home of Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, "Idlewild," Seymour Road, where five hundred friends and relatives of the parties attended.

The bride, who was given away at the official ceremony by her father, was seen in "Idlewild" in a dress of ivory coloured cut velvet, with a train lined with blue pink georgette. She looked exceedingly charming, as, together with the bridegroom, she received the congratulations of their many friends. A bouquet of arum lilies which she carried added to the effect.

Attending the bride were Miss C. M. Fleher and Miss P. G. Lo, both of whom wore old fashioned robes of flowered taffeta and velvet and carried pretty bouquets of sweet peas. Not the least charming of the group was Master Wilbur Lo, who, as page boy, looked very handsome in a long dress of pink.

Lady Ho Tung who together with Sir Robert received the congratulations of the many friends of the family, was seen in a dress of crepe broche. Mr. E. Zimmerman performed the duties of best man.

Reception at "Idlewild."

The reception at the home of Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung began at 4 p.m., there being many prominent members of the community present, including the Hon. Sir Shou-son and Lady Chow, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall and Mrs. Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga and Mrs. Braga, the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North and Mrs. North, the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tao, Sir Elly Kadoorie, Mr. J. E. Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kom-tong, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Lo, Mrs. Ho Fook, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Leung, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kwong, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Ki, Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, Mr. W. W. Hornell, Mrs. W. T. Southern, Mr. R. A. Ponsonby Fane, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gordon Mackie, Mr. Wong Kam-fuk, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. R. Sample, Prof. C. A. Middleton Smith, Mr. W. B. Finnigan, Dr. Wong Man, Mr. Fung Heung-chun, Mr. Francis Tse, Mr. Tang Chi-nong, Mr. Tang Shu-kin, Mr. B. W. Tape, Mr. Mok Kon-sang, Mr. Li Tse-fong, Mr. Kwok Siu-leu, Mr. Fung Ping-ehon, Mr. J. F. Grose, Mr. S. M. Churn, Mr. J. D. Bush, Dr. E. Law, Dr. Arthur Woo, Dr. and Mrs. Wong Chung-yik, Mr. H. K. Hung, Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. Li Yau-tsun and many others.

An interesting guest at "Idlewild" was Lady Liang, wife of the late Sir Chan Tung Liang Shing, who was at one time Minister for China to Great Britain. She was accompanied by her son, Mr. S. W. Liang. The popularity of the bride's parents was shown by the presence of the elders of the New Territories, in the agricultural development of which Lady Ho Tung has taken a deep interest. The directors of the Tung Wah Hospital and Po Leung Kuk were also present.

The reception was given in the garden, where also, the bride and bridegroom, together with Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung and Mr. and Mrs. H. Gittins, received the congratulations of their many friends.

The wedding cake, a beautiful creation of four tiers, was the object of much admiration and was a credit to Messrs. Lane, Crawford, who supplied it.

The Toasts.

The toast of the bride and bridegroom was proposed by Pro-

fessor H. G. Hughes of the Hongkong University, who said that he felt that a very considerable compliment was paid to him; and that was a thing which he was very human about and which he thoroughly enjoyed. He felt a certain sense of magnanimity and a glow of self-satisfied generosity at finding himself where he was.

Proceeding, Professor Hughes said that he would let his audience into a rather intimate secret. "Not very long ago," he said, "the bride was the apple of my eye (laughter). I hasten here to explain that she was the academic apple of my strictly academic eye." (Laughter).

There was a time, said Professor Hughes, when he had hoped that the bride would be the future historian of the China Coast. In that, however, he was disappointed. The bridegroom came along, and he saw and he conquered! Only those who were in the speaker's profession could realise what it meant to him to be deprived of that hope of his. The bride knew, from long experience, the speaker's genius for finding the wrong word for the wrong thing, and Professor Hughes hoped that the bride would excuse him if he likened his experience to that of an old hen who found she had been hatching a duck.

The bride represented a family who had done a very great deal for the University. Sir Robert Ho Tung was a munificent patron of learning in Hongkong, and the University had received from the bride such support as was consistent with the support received from other members of the family, and in keeping with the best traditions of the students of the University.

A Missing Faculty.

The speaker, continuing, said that he had no desire of embarrassing the bride by recounting the brilliance of her short career at the University, and it was sufficient to give just one example of her talent. One dull dreary morning he was discussing Queen Elizabeth with the bride and he happened to ask in his best pontifical manner why it was that Queen Elizabeth was an old maid and the reply was "Because she had no faculty for engineering." (Laughter).

The bridegroom, said Professor Hughes, had been a longer time at the University, and his record was no less honourable. He was with the University as an undergraduate and later as a member of the staff. In every way Mr. Gittins was admired, both for his loyalty and for the kind, good words which he had for everyone on every occasion. Professor Hughes assured the parents of the bridegroom that their son, throughout his career at the University, was an unqualified credit to them.

It was as an athlete, however, that the bridegroom impressed the speaker most. That was probably because the speaker himself was no athlete. He saw the bridegroom's collection of trophies and observed that there were long thin cups and short fat cups. There were big ones and little ones and things that bulged out like an urn, and these made him wonder what the bridegroom could have done to deserve them all. "I warn you all," added the Professor, "that should the rumour ever go about that W. Gittins is melting down his trophies, there would be a panic in the silver market and the dollar would wobble." (Laughter).

The speaker ended by saying that he was beginning to realise the meaning of "Gather ye rosebuds while you may," for the more one gathered, the less rosebuds there would be and the less gathered there would be and then—only then, the world would be safe—for bachelors!

Bridegroom's Reply.

The company was then asked to drink to the health of the bride and bridegroom.

The bridegroom, speaking on behalf of the bride and himself,

FAKE HAIR LOTION.

TWO CHINESE FIRMS
FINED.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon the Sun Shing Tai, foreign goods dealers, of No. 3, Kwong Yuen Street, were summoned for infringement of trade marks in respect of a number of bottles of "Pomplier" hair lotion, manufactured by L. T. Piver, of Paris.

Mr. O. E. C. Marton appeared for Messrs. W. R. Loxley and Co., agents for L. T. Piver. Evidence of the finding of four dozen bottles on the defendants' premises was given by Sergeant Fitches, who spoke of having received his information from Mr. T. A. Mitchell, of Messrs. W. R. Loxley and Co. Witness said he found one bottle exposed for sale on the ground floor and the remainder on the first floor.

Mr. T. A. Mitchell said that through his broker he sent an employee out with instructions to buy as many bottles of the imitation lotion as possible. The man brought back 40 bottles, accompanied by a receipt secured from the defendants.

Mr. Charles Baboud, General Manager in the Far East of L. T. Piver of Paris, gave evidence as regards the spurious nature of the labels and contents.

Defendants' representative in Court stated that they unwittingly bought the stuff from a firm in Japan, whose name he gave.

Goods Confiscated.

After looking up the law on the subject, his Worship pointed out that it was a duty imposed on the defendants by the Ordinance to have made certain that the goods were genuine. His Worship convicted defendants on the two charges of possession and application of the false trade marks, and imposed a fine of \$50 on each count, with the alternative of one month's imprisonment. The goods were ordered to be confiscated.

The Sing Lee, of No. 241, Des Voeux Road, was another firm to be similarly summoned. On pleading guilty, they were fined \$25 on the first charge and cautioned on the second, his Worship being informed that only six bottles were seized in their case.

Defendants, who stated that they purchased the stuff from a travelling trader, were also warned to be more careful in their future dealings. They then asked if they could have a free sample of the genuine stuff for future guidance.

His Worship pointed out to Mr. T. A. Mitchell that the request was possibly one that might prove to be very advantageous for his firm.

Mr. Mitchell replied that he would comply with the request with great pleasure.

thanked the gathering for the presents and congratulations which they had showered on him and his wife. He said that he was, like many others, a nervous bridegroom, and as such, had nothing to say. Where talk was concerned, he sometimes wondered why it was that the bride should not take up the matter on such occasions. He thanked the gathering very heartily indeed for coming to the function. (Applause).

Tea was then served to the large assembly, during which the band of the King's Own Scottish Borderers supplied an excellent selection of musical items.

A guard of honour was formed at the entrance of "Idlewild" by Girl Guides and Boy Scouts, with which movements both the bride and bridegroom have been closely connected as officers. The honeymoon, it is learned, will be spent in Shanghai and the North. The newly-wed couple will sail to-day by the Empress of Russia. The bride's going away dress will be one of powder blue broche velvet.



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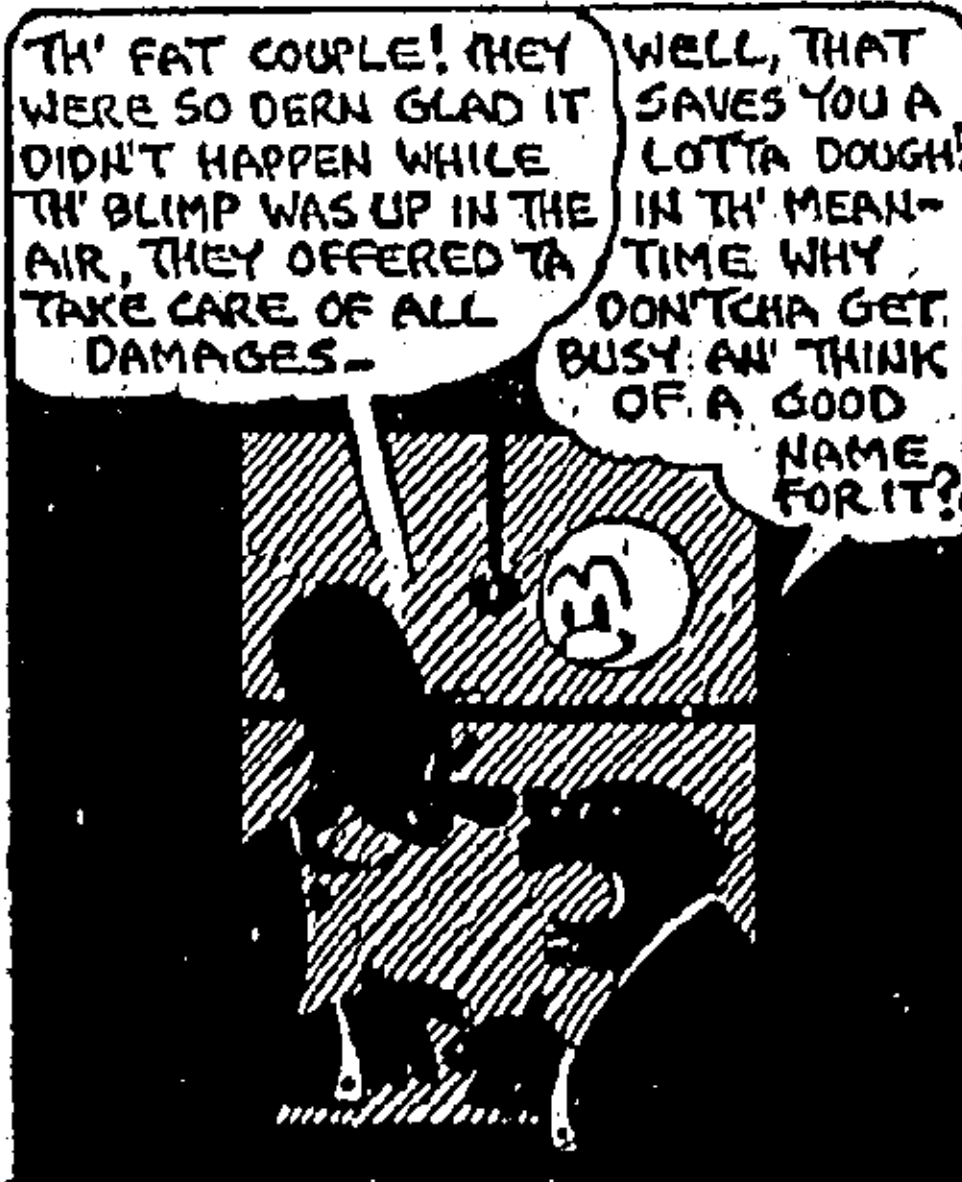
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After the wedding in Shanghai of Sergt. S. Sharroch, S. M. P. and Miss Helen Oleova.



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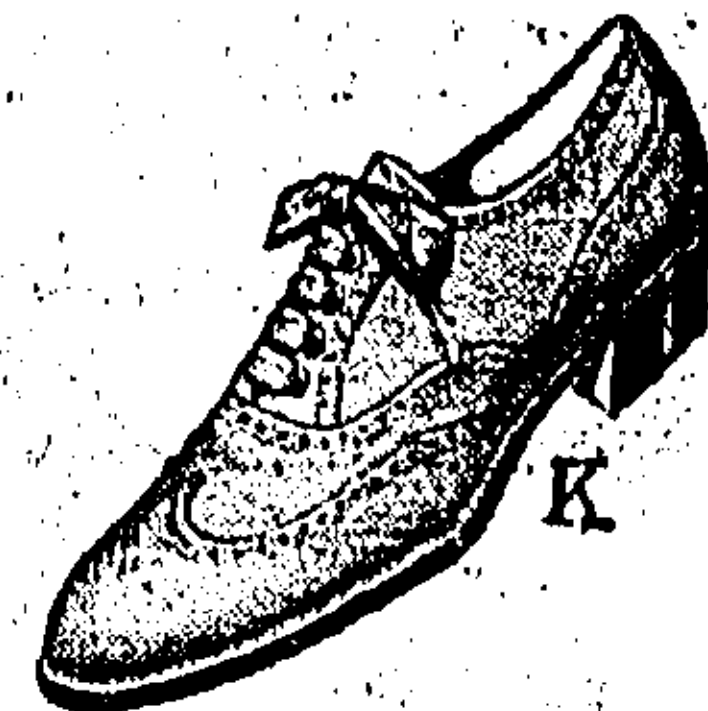
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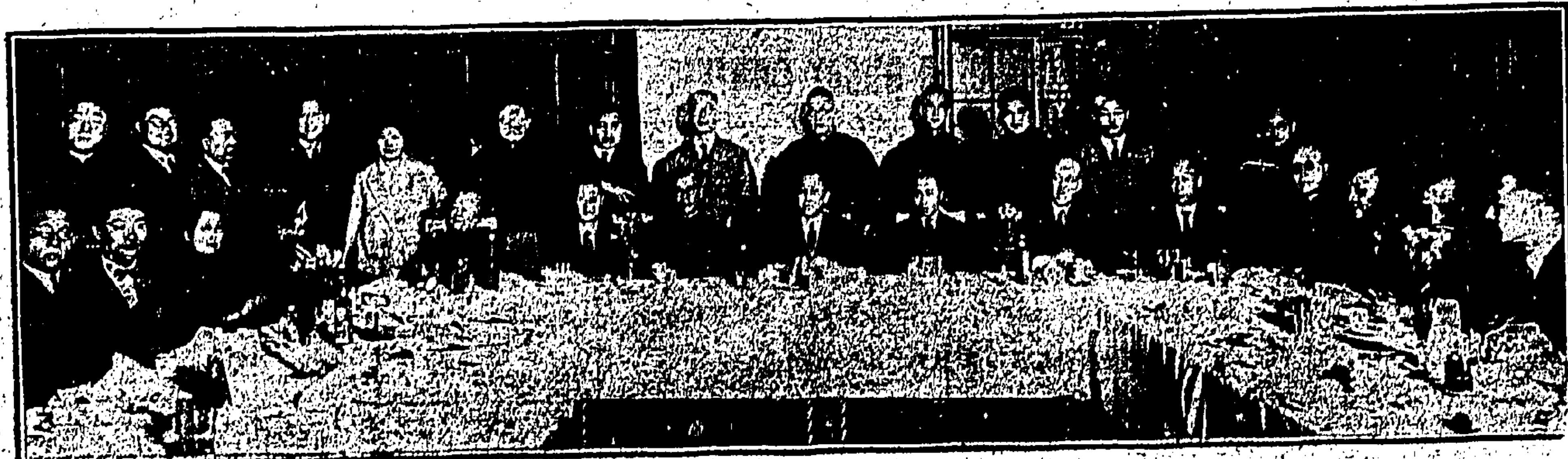
Gen. Jose Guerra, former Premier of Spain, who has been held in prison at Valencia as the result of the recent disorders.



King Alfonso of Spain is shown above during a shooting expedition on the estate of the Marquis of Viana at Cordoba. He seems untroubled by the political problem.



Group taken at the Majestic Hotel, Shanghai on the occasion of the celebration of St. David's Day by the Welsh Society, which began with the usual ceremony at the War Memorial and ended with the annual dinner.



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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, 15th April, 1929, to Saturday, 4th May, 1929, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
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NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty-fourth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Thursday, the 28th March, 1929, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1928.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Saturday, the 23rd day of March to Thursday, the 28th day of March, 1929, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1929.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Building, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, 27th March, 1929, at NOON, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1928.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 19th to the 27th March, 1929, (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1929.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. The Sixtieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the undersigned on Tuesday, the 26th March, 1929, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1928.

The share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 12th to the 26th March, 1929, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 5th March, 1929.

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The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 11th March, 1929, to 22nd March, 1929, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1929.

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It is hereby notified that on and after 1st January, 1929:—
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Wedding cake for transmission by post to places outside the Colony must be securely packed in tin boxes.

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Kochow
Toy Shan
Fakhoi, Swatow direct \$0.20 per word.
Hohow, Sammal and Chungshan

In both cases the addressee will be required to pay an additional charge due to the Receiving Station of \$0.20 per word; this charge also applies to radiotelegrams received at Hongkong from Fakhoi, Swatow, Hohow, Sammal and Chungshan.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Amoy	Taiwan	March 20.
Straits and London parcels mail	Karmala	March 21.
London 14th February	Yuen Sang	March 21.
Europe via Negapatam, letters only	Aki Maru	March 21.
London 21st February	Yingchow	March 21.
Australia and Manila	Hakozaki Maru	March 22.
Shanghai and Amoy	Khyber	March 22.
Japan and Shanghai	Khyber	March 22.
Shanghai	Khyber	March 22.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Khyber	March 22.
London 24th Feb.—2nd Mar.	Pres. Johnson	March 23.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Jefferson	March 25.
Manila	General Metzinger	March 25.
Shanghai	General Metzinger	March 25.
Europe via Negapatam, (papers only), London 31st February	Oilporo	March 25.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of France	March 25.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Date and Time
Sam Shui and Wuchow	San Ni-ang, Wed., Mar. 20, 4 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Kitano Maru Wed., Mar. 20, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	New York, Wed., Mar. 20, 5 p.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Deli Maru Thurs., Mar. 21, 8.30 a.m.
Bangkok	Botnia, Thurs., Mar. 21, noon.
Ford Bayard	Tai Poo Sek Thurs., Mar. 21, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea Thurs., Mar. 21, 2.30 p.m.
Amoy	Santhia, Thurs., Mar. 21, 5 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Karmala, Thurs., Mar. 21, 6 p.m.
Japan	Aki Maru, Fri., Mar. 22, 9.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Taiwan, Fri., Mar. 22, 11 a.m.
Swatow Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching, Fri., Mar. 22, 1 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Yuen Sang, Fri., Mar. 22, 5 p.m.
"Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, L. Marques, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kueichow, Fri., Mar. 22, 5 p.m.
	Hakozaki Maru, Sat., Mar. 23.
	Registration, 22nd 4.30 p.m.
	Letters, 23rd 9 a.m.
	G.P.O.
	Registration, 23rd 8.45 a.m.
	Letters, 23rd 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 21st April).
	Registration, 22nd 5 p.m.
	Registration, 23rd 9.45 a.m.
	Letters, 23rd 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 20th April).
Java via Batavia	Tijaraea, Sat., Mar. 23, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Johnson, Sat., Mar. 23, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru, Sun., Mar. 24, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kwangchow, Sun., Mar. 24, 9 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Kutuang, Mon., Mar. 25, 11 a.m.
	Letters, noon.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia	President Jefferson, Tues., Mar. 25.
	Parcels, 25th 5 p.m.
	Registration, 25th 5 p.m.
	Letters, 25th 8.30 a.m.
	(Due San Francisco, 17th April).
Saigon, "Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, L. Marques, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	General Metzinger, Tues., Mar. 26.
	K.P.O.
	Registration, 10 a.m.
	Letters, 11 p.m.
	G.P.O.
	Registration, 12.45 p.m.
	Letters, 1.50 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 28th April).
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang, Fri., Mar. 29, 9 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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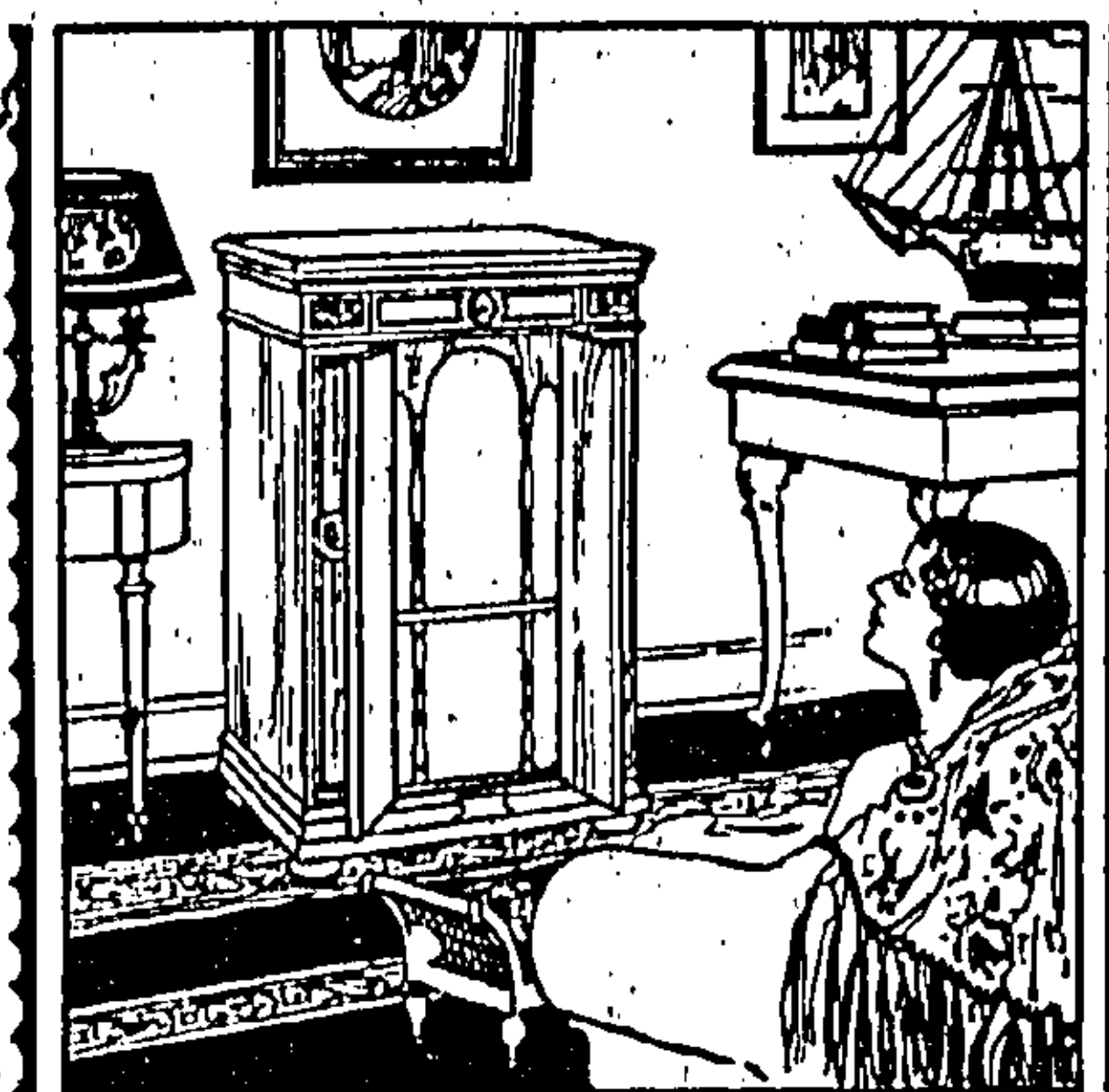
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The
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WEDNESDAY MARCH 20, 1929.

THE BOXER INDEMNITY

The British Government does not appear to be in any great hurry to set in motion the machinery which will enable a release of a part of the Boxer Indemnity Funds along the lines suggested by the Buxton Advisory Committee. Some months ago, when the matter was raised in the House of Commons, it was intimated that it would be useless to give effect to the Committee's recommendations whilst the then prevailing chaos in China continued. The latest statement is that it will be impossible to find time during the present session of Parliament to pass the amending Act, as was originally intended. That means that Parliamentary facilities will be long deferred, inasmuch as the Government will soon be appealing to the country, and only time will tell whether it will be returned to office. How the Liberal and Labour Parties view this question has not yet been disclosed, but, should either be called upon to form a Government as a result of the General Election, we can scarcely hope for any immediate attention to an issue of this character.

If, however, there be no hope of an early introduction of the amending Act, something is gained by the news that Sir Austen Chamberlain has been in communication with the British Minister in China in an endeavour to find a means to expedite action so as to release some of the funds for purposes of mutual benefit to Britain and to China. Mr. Looker's suggestion that before any definite decision is taken, a White Paper should be issued so as to give the House of Commons an opportunity of considering the proposals is one which we hope to see acted upon. There are so many aspects to this question that it is well that all the facts germane to it should be kept in mind. Above all, the basic idea underlying the suggestions for the use of the Fund should be kept in mind. This is that the money should be devoted to purposes mutually beneficial to China and to Britain. So far as the allocation of money for educational purposes is concerned, we cannot see how the claims of the Hongkong University can possibly be overlooked. His Excellency the Governor some time ago well expressed the chief function of this University when he described it as the interpretation of British ideals, civic, ethical and educational to the Chinese people, and the promotion

of Anglo-Chinese friendship. Surely the employment of some of the Indemnity Funds in the strengthening of a University which has such a role to play would be in conformity with the idea of devoting the money to a really mutually beneficial purpose. It is obviously to the advantage of the Chinese student to be able to receive a University education in his own environment, rather than to be transplanted to foreign surroundings, and the value of the facilities which Hongkong University could offer if its financial position were made more secure would be immensely increased. To regard the Hongkong University as a mere local institution, with no part to play in the spread of modern education in China, is utterly to misconstrue the object with which it was founded.

We all know how insistently His Excellency the Governor, as Chancellor, urged the claims of the University to consideration whilst we was Home on leave, but it would appear that he received very little sympathy from the Foreign Office. It has even been suggested that the Foreign Office does not think Hongkong counts in the matter. If that is the case, then we can only marvel at its shortsightedness. No finer opportunity presents itself for the consolidation of Anglo-Chinese friendship than to put the University on a basis which would enable it to discharge its prime functions to the full. We can only hope that those who have so far worked so hard to get Hongkong a fair hearing will not, even at this late hour, weary in their task.

China Tariff Effect.

The big advantage enjoyed by Hongkong shipbuilding firms over Shanghai competitors as the result of the new tariff schedule is not a very important matter just now when very little new tonnage is offering on the China coast, though the time must come when the slump will break. The anomaly pointed out by Mr. H. E. Arnold at the annual meeting of the New Engineering and Shipbuilding Works, Ltd., Shanghai, is an obvious one. The imposts on iron and steel are sufficiently heavy to make it impossible for Dock Companies in China Proper to compete with Hongkong on equal terms, although at the same time, the argument employed as a claim for full rebate of duty paid would apply in equal force to most descriptions of iron and steel importations into China at the present time. The Ministry of Finance could scarcely make a concession to the shipbuilding firms without admitting the claims of other concerns. It seems to us that Shanghai will have to get used to the fact that not only in this, but in many other directions, a diversion of commerce and industry to Hongkong is likely to take place as the result of the introduction of tariff autonomy. While this Colony remains, for all practical purposes, a free port, not directly affected by China's financial reconstruction schemes, there will be every incentive for those engaged in foreign trade with China to use Hongkong as the centre of their operations. In this connexion, it is already widely rumoured that several important firms in Shanghai are giving consideration to proposals for the removal of their headquarters to Hongkong, and while no confirmation is yet forthcoming, we have reason to believe the reports. There is nothing Hongkong desires more than a long era of peace in China, for this way lies the boom for which commercial men have long been waiting.

FINE TO CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory reports that the depression has deepened considerably and is now central to the North-east of Japan. The anticyclone has weakened and is now central to the N.W.N. of Shanghai. Moderate monsoon may be expected over the China Sea. The forecast till noon tomorrow is:—North-east winds, moderate; fine to cloudy.

DAY BY DAY.

TO BE CONSCIOUS THAT YOU ARE IGNORANT IS A GREAT STEP TO KNOWLEDGE.—Lord Beaconsfield.

The P. and O. s.s. Khyber, from Shanghai, is due here at 5 a.m. on Friday.

Pilot Officer A. D. Bennett, R.A.F., has been appointed to No. 403 Flight, China.

Yesterday's return of notifiable diseases shows three further Chinese cases of small-pox.

The final concert of the Helena Mav Institute season takes place to-morrow evening, and not on Friday, as previously announced.

The transport Somersetshire arrived in Hongkong last night and tied up at Holt's Wharf this morning to embark the Queen's Royal Regiment, which is bound for Malta. It is expected that embarkation will be completed to-morrow and that the vessel will sail early on Friday for Singapore.

At the Marine Court this morning before Commr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., the master of a harbour boat and the mistress of a passenger boat were charged with making fast to the s.s. Prominent whilst that vessel was under way. Both pleaded guilty and they were fined \$10 or ten days.

Among passengers leaving by the Blue Funnel s.s. Patroclus today are Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Crappell and family, Capt. Ellis Walker and Mrs. Walker, Mr. H. Tester (brother of Mr. P. Tester, local broker), Mr. G. E. Ellams, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Perry, Mr. D. L. McWhirter, Mr. J. D. Thomson, Mrs. C. P. Mareel, Mr. W. B. Corbary, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Barry, Lt.-Col. Ellis and Mr. F. Walker.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Traffic Congestion.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir.—The traffic congestion in the Central District between the City Hall and China Building on the Queen's Road side, and the City Hall to the General Post Office on the Des Voeux Road side, is bad enough, and, with the inauguration of the bus service, is getting more acute every day, particularly at the Ice House Street junction, through which thoroughfare on the south side they have recently introduced a two-way traffic, and unless something is done by the authorities to restrict fast driving in this sector there is bound to be a serious accident before long.

I would suggest that the Government erect signs for all motor traffic to slow down to a minimum speed at the Ice House Street and Pedder Street corners, and the same remark applies to the "Star" Ferry approach in Hongkong as is done in the principal cities at home and abroad, and motor traffic be made to stop as occasion requires. At present, it constitutes a distinct danger not only to pedestrians, but to rickshaw traffic, and it is time the Government took some action in this matter.—Yours etc.,

OLD TIMER.

Hongkong, Mar. 19th, 1929.

51 COMMON ERRORS IN BRIDGE AND HOW TO CORRECT THEM By W.W. Wentworth

BY DOING THE OBVIOUS WHEN STRATEGIC PLAY MIGHT WIN

North (Dummy)—
A Q 7
K 10 6 4 3
Q 10 8 4 2
K 5

West—
Leads 4 ♣

South (Declarer)—
K 7 6
Q 7 5
Q 10 3
A K Q 2

The Bidding: South opens with no-trump and all pass. Deciding the Play: West leads 4 of clubs, 8 of clubs is played from Dummy and East plays Jack of clubs. What card should Declarer play?

TO PREVENT SELLING OF CHILDREN.

PROPOSAL MADE TO CANTON GOVERNMENT.

A proposal was lately submitted to the Canton Bureau of Public Safety by Mr. Yu Yau-chuen, Officer in charge of the 1st Sub-station of the No. 11 Police Station, to request the Provincial Government to order the prohibition of the buying and selling of children as a radical measure for putting an end to kidnapping, a malpractice that is often resorted to by evil doers in this province, notwithstanding that severe punishment has been inflicted by the Government on kidnappers.

It is stated in the proposal that the aim of the kidnappers in carrying off the young children is nothing but to sell them as adopted sons or slave-girls for the purpose of making money, and that although orders have been given by the Government prohibiting the selling and buying of girls as slaves, yet no action has been taken towards the malpractice of buying boys as adopted sons, thus offering opportunity to kidnappers to continue the carrying on their misdeeds.

It is added that it will be necessary to have this malpractice strictly prohibited as a means of putting a stop to kidnapping, as speaking legally, one may select and adopt his son from among the relatives of the same clan instead of buying one from outsiders, in case he has no issue.—Canton Gazette.

KOWLOON ACCIDENTS.

FATAL INJURIES IN MOTOR MISHAP.

A number of vehicular accidents occurred on the mainland yesterday, the most serious being one which resulted in the death of a Chinese from a fractured skull.

According to a police report received this morning, a private car owned by Mr. Chan Wai-yan, of No. 28, Kai Tack Road, and driven by his chauffeur, ran into a Chinese on the Kowloon City Road and knocked him unconscious, with severe injuries to his head. The accident occurred outside the Kowloon City Police Station at 7 o'clock in the evening. The injured man was taken to the Kowloon Hospital, but he died at 5.40 this morning without having recovered consciousness.

A 15-year-old Chinese girl, named Leung Mei, was also admitted into the hospital yesterday as the result of another accident which occurred at the junction of the Kai Tack Road and Nathan Road. While crossing the road, she got into the way of a bus belonging to the China Motorbus Company, and was knocked down, serious injuries being caused to her head. While crossing a light railway track at Shamshing yesterday, an old Chinese woman, named Kwan Sze, was run over by an earth truck and received injuries which are said to be of a very severe character. She was extricated and taken to the Kowloon Hospital in a critical condition.

KING CONTINUES TO PROGRESS.

ONLY TWO NURSES NOW IN ATTENDANCE.

London, Mar. 19.

H.M. the King passed another good day. His Majesty spent the longest period so far out of doors. He was in the grounds of Craigwell House again for nearly two hours this morning, and then walked through the terrace back to the house.

Only two nurses now remain in attendance on the King.—British Wireless.

The Very Idea!

Over 5,800 lads attended services held recently at the Boy's Institute, Plymouth, which was established last May by Mr. A. C. Ballard.

On the previous week Mr. Ballard expressed the hope that there would be a record attendance and offered 10s to every boy present over nine years of age. Some of the local clergy protested against this, but Mr. Ballard replied that he was following the injunctions of the "Carpenter of Nazareth."

It was necessary to hold three services. The first was conducted by the Rev. F. W. Minors and addresses were also delivered by the Mayor and Mr. Horro Bolsha, M.P. for Devonport.

Before leaving, each boy received a postcard upon which he had to enter his name and address and to say whether he wanted a suit of clothes, boots, or books. If money was chosen, the boys had to state for what purpose it was required.

Schoolboy "howlers".

Coal is decaying vegetarians.

A monastery is a place where they make money.

An infection is a sudden explosion of mind.

Black clouds are formed by the evaporation of dirty water.

[Stocks of oatmeal are rapidly accumulating in Scotland, because (it is said) the Scots are giving up porridge.]

Scots, who have on parritch fed,

Scots, whom other nations

dead,

It is true what's been said?

Nat it canna be!

A chief among ye takin' notes

Says that Scotland's tired o'

oats,

Frae Galashells to John o' Groats

Show him it's a lee!

Donna say the thing is true,

Brither Scots, 'twill never do,

England soon wad hae for you

Scorn and contumely!

Wha'll be a scurvy loon?

Wha'll be let pair Scotland

doon?

Wha'll gie up his parritch-spoon?

Hoos! awa yie yie!

Wife at Willesden—My husband

is a man of few words. He prefers

hits.

Kingston Wife—My husband's

trouble is drink—not beer, but wine,

which is far worse.

Debtor at Glasgow—I'll pay this

up at a shilling a week. I'll only

take about three years.

Tottenham Woman—We always

found him a decent little man, com-

ing home just when he should, and

so on.

Woman at Willesden—I took my

husband home to my people for a

week-end, and he has never had me

back since.

A Billerica man, accused of be-

ing drunk in charge of a horse and

cart, was stated to have tried to

kick two policemen.

The school inspector was coming

to test the class in Scripture, and

the teacher warned the boy at the

top of the class, that he would be

asked who made him, and told him

what answer to give.

Unfortunately the dux had oc-

casional to go out just before the

inspector arrived, with the result that

the question was put to the next

boy, who was unprepared.

"Please, sir," he cried, "the little

boy God made is out of the room."

It was the same little boy who

wrote in an essay that the dome of

St. Paul's was supported by eight

peers, who were unfortunately

cracked.

Today's Dog Story.—A corres-

pondent calls attention to the fol-

lowing passage in Pepp's Diary:

"To Dr. Williams, who did carry

me into his garden, where he hath

abundance of grapes; and he did

show me how a dog that he hath

kill the cats that come thither to

bury them; and do it with so much

care that they shall be quite cov-

ered; and if the tip of the tail hangs

out, he will take up the tail again,

and dig the hole deeper, which is

very strange; and he tells me that

he do believe that he hath killed

above 100 cats."

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Mar. 19.

Paris 124.825

New York 4.85 1/2

Brussels 34.95

Geneva 25.22

Amsterdam 12.12 1/2

Milan 20.465

Berlin 18.17

Stockholm 18.20

Copenhagen 34.55

Vienna 104

Prague 102 1/2

Helsingfors 32.125

Madrid 375

Athens 814 1/2

Bucharest 57

Rio 47.11/32

Buenos Aires 1/5.31/32

Bombay 2/6 1/2

Shanghai 1/10.1/16

Hongkong 25 1/2

Yokohama 25 1/2

Silver (spot) 25 1/2

Silver (forward) 25 1/2

—British Wireless.

FINAL SESSIONS CASE.

ALLEGED BROTHER & SISTER ON TRIAL.

ROBBERY SEQUEL.

The Criminal Sessions were continued this morning, before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood), when the last case on this month's calendar in which Mo Man-to, alias Ho Ken-chun, and Ho Yee, an amah, are indicted for a robbery at No. 251, Lai-chikok Road, third floor, was proceeded with. The case was called yesterday afternoon when Ho Man-to admitted the theft of certain articles only, while Ho Yee made a complete denial. His Lordship then decided to enter a plea of not guilty as regards the man and to continue the hearing of the case to-day before a jury.

It is alleged by the Crown, represented by Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, that the amah opened the door to admit Ho Man-to at night and that articles of clothing and jewellery, as well as money, were stolen.

In outlining the case for the Crown, Mr. Fitzroy referred to the door by which the floor was entered, stating that a person with a small hand and thin arm could put a hand through a spy-hole and undo all the bolts and bars with the exception of one. On February 7, he continued, the complainant, So Suck-chan, was living on the floor together with Ho Yee who worked as an amah. At about ten o'clock that night, So Suck-chan saw that the door was bolted and barred and went to bed.

Seized by Throat.

Shortly after midnight, So Suck-chan was awakened and saw a light and the shadows of two persons in the room. A quilt was placed over her head, she was seized by the throat, and a pillow was pressed against her face. She tried to remove it, but failed. A ring was then taken from her finger and she heard the noise of various things being opened.

Finally, she managed to free herself, and, on switching on the light, found Ho Yee lying on a bed with a quilt over her head and a strip of cloth tied over her mouth. Her hands and legs, however, were not tied.

Mr. Fitzroy explained that, so far as the Crown knew, the two prisoners were related to one another. Evidence would be called to show that they both lived at No. 87, Nam Chung Street, ground floor, from November 24, last year. The principal tenant of that house would say he understood them to be brother and sister. The complainant employed Ho Yee as an amah on January 14, 1929.

Prisoner Aids Police.

The first prisoner, continued counsel, had given the police a good deal of assistance. He had pointed out where certain articles were hidden and had given up pawn tickets. Everything except a gold bangle and \$40 in money had been recovered.

When charged with the robbery at the Police Station, Ho Man-to admitted taking certain of the articles, but not all of them, while Ho Yee denied that she assisted him in any way. During the hearing of the case, added Mr. Fitzroy, Ho Man-to stated that he broke open the door and there were not two persons engaged. There was, he said, not so much money as \$40 and alleged that the complainant was exaggerating in this respect.

In regard to this, Mr. Fitzroy pointed out that the door was not broken and no man could have released the bottom bolt through the spy-hole.

The case is proceeding.

ANOTHER MAIL-BAG ROBBERY.

DELAY IN NOTIFYING POLICE.

London, Feb. 16.

Officers of the Criminal Investigation Department of Scotland Yard and of the London and North-Eastern Railway Company's police are assisting detectives of the General Post Office in an effort to discover the perpetrators of yet another serious mail-bag robbery which was officially announced yesterday.

The stolen bag contained registered packages, the full value of which is not yet known. It disappeared in transit, between Hull and London.

It is only a fortnight since the last mail-bag robbery, when mail worth £16,600, was stolen from

OPIUM SMUGGLING EPIDEMIC.

DRUG BROUGHT FROM CANTON BY THE RAILWAY.

SEVERAL ARRESTS.

There appears to be quite an epidemic of opium smuggling from Canton to Hongkong by the trains which arrive daily from the Chinese city. During the past 48 hours, several arrests have been made, the delinquents in most cases being women carriers, who apparently have been entrusted with the contraband to be conveyed to Hongkong on the off chance that they will escape the vigilance of the searchers.

In a case in which a woman was charged with being in possession of 72 taels of raw opium, it was stated by Det. Sergeant Fowle that the drug was contained in the pockets of a specially made waistcoat.

The woman, in reply to his Worship, said that she had been bluffed by somebody who had told her to take the opium to Kowloon where she would be met and relieved of the drug. The man said that there was nothing to be afraid of.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$2,000, or two months' hard labour.

A boy, aged 13, was brought before his Worship on a charge of being in possession of 76 taels of raw opium which, it was stated by Revenue Officer Tallon, was found concealed in nine bundles of dried vegetables.

The defendant said that he had been given the opium to bring to Hongkong and had been paid twenty cents.

His Worship remanded the defendant until to-morrow for his relatives to be communicated with.

It being stated that the drug was concealed in the false bottom of a wooden tub, a Chinese man was charged with possession of 34 taels of raw opium and fined \$1,000 or four months' hard labour in default.

A woman who had 30 taels tied round her waist was fined \$9,000, or one month's imprisonment.

NEW HUNAN CRISIS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

For War, as credence had been given to the story that Nanking recently discovered evidence of a military understanding between Feng Yu-shiang and Li Chung-yen. Pei Chung-hsi also resigned his position with the Central Government, and it is considered in well-informed circles that there is a distinct association between these resignations.

Hankow Excitement.

Rumour is rife at Hankow, and the atmosphere, subsequent to the arrival of Pei Chung-hsi, is reported to be electrical. The military conference has not yet concluded, though it is understood that Gen. Pei has made certain statements to other military officers in Hankow as the result of a consultation which he is reported to have had with Marshal Feng Yu-shiang on his way south.

Later. The departure of Pei Chung-hsi from Peking was kept a close secret, even his own generals being taken by surprise. There is some doubt whether his forces in Peking will remain loyal to him in the event of war, it being stated in some circles that they are likely to support Nanking.

In any event, it will be impossible to recall them to Hankow in the event of a clash.—*Nam Chung Pao.*

the Mount Pleasant Post Office in Clerkenwell.

Once again there was considerable delay in informing Scotland Yard of the robbery. They were not notified, in fact, until Monday.

An account of the journey of the missing mail-bag between Hull and London was given by an official of the London and North-Eastern Railway.

"The stolen mail-bag, in common with others, was put on the 9.25 p.m. train from Hull by the local postal authorities on Saturday evening," he said. "Considerable delay was caused to the train services that night by fog, and the mail, which should have been transferred to the 11.7 p.m. train for London at Doncaster, was instead transferred to the 11.50 p.m."

"The transference was effected by Post Office officials at Doncaster, and when the train arrived at King's Cross the next morning, it was unloaded also by postal officials."

PIRACY HEROES REMEMBERED.

TABLET UNVEILED AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

VISIT TO CEMETERY.

A tablet was unveiled this morning at St. Peter's Church (West Point) by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., in memory of the late Mr. Robert Black, who lost his life as a result of the piracy of the s.s. Kochoh on September 1, 1927.

The dedicatory service took place at 11 o'clock and quite a number of members of the Mercantile Marine were present. His Excellency the Governor was accompanied by Capt. F. G. Sillitoe, A.D.C., and amongst those present was the Hon. the Harbour Master, Commander G. F. Hole, R.N.

The service was conducted by the Bishop of Victoria, the Rt. Rev. Dr. C. R. Duppy, assisted by the Very Rev. Alfred Swann and the Rev. G. T. Wildegrave.

During the singing of the Hymn "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" His Excellency the Governor, the Bishop and the clergy proceeded to the tablet. At the conclusion of the hymn, the Harbour Master requested His Excellency to unveil the tablet.

His Excellency accordingly pulled a cord which removed the red design that was covering the tablet. The inscription on the tablet was then read by His Excellency as follows:

"This Tablet is erected by the Government of Hongkong in memory of Robert Black, chief Engineer of the British Steamship 'Kochoh' killed by pirates in the Ling Yang Gorge, West River, on 1st September, 1927."

A wreath was then laid by His Excellency on the foot of the tablet.

After the service, a party proceeded to the Protestant Cemetery to deposit wreaths, which had been brought earlier to the church, on the tombstone erected by the Hongkong Government to the memory of Mr. Harry Conway, late Chief Officer of the s.s. San Nam Hoi, who was murdered by pirates in the West River on 17th January, 1928.

Amongst the floral tributes at the Church were wreaths from the following:—Mr. M. F. Houghton, Capt. F. Smith (s.s. Wing Lee), Mr. J. Forsyth (s.s. Tai Hing), Capt. T. T. Laurensen, Mr. W. J. Stokes, Mr. J. W. McNaught, the Marine Engineers' Guild of China, the China Coast Officers' Guild, and the Master, Officers and Engineers of the following ships:—Paul Beau, Wing On, Lung Shan, Tung On and Sai On.

A wreath was also sent to the memorial at St. Peter's Church from "His sorrowing widow, Lizzie Black."

GERMANY'S BUDGET DIFFICULTIES.

OPPOSITION EXPECTED TO ARMY ESTIMATES.

Berlin, Mar. 19.

The military budget, excluding the navy totals G.Mks.483,474,000.

SWATOW REFORM PROGRAMME.

SCHEME BY THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

SEVEN SUBJECTS.

Swatow, Mar. 14.

The Executive Committee of the Central Government has issued a scheme of local activity and reform which it is urging on all provincial and special municipal branches of the Kuomintang. These are exhorted to work in alliance with the corresponding official authorities, to carry out the programme.

The programme includes seven subjects—literacy, afforestation, road-making, public health, local defence (militia), co-operation between the people and the officials and the advocacy of the use of native goods.

From time to time, special efforts are made to bring each of these matters vigorously before the people. Last year, a public health campaign was organised and although perhaps it did not accomplish a great deal, it may be hoped that it had a certain educational value. Similarly, attempts have been made to cope with illiteracy, and some schools for the poor have been opened. The organisation of the militia is more a matter of village defence; in many parts progress has been made, but settled government on the one hand, and energy on the other, are necessary. In both respects there has been great improvement in the last year, and everything now depends on the capacity of the central government for cohesion.

Road-making has made considerable progress: some of the big main roads are laid out, but the difficulty of completing the bridges makes them only partially effective. Until the bridges are built they can only be of local value, and cannot become great highways. When, however, that is accomplished there will be much more hope of their being kept in adequate repair, instead of as at present one section being allowed to decay before the next is built.

At present throughout the province a special campaign for afforestation is being conducted. Speakers have been sent up to Swatow from Canton who are to tour the district and stir up the enthusiasm of the people. In Swatow itself, two days have been set aside for special meetings in all the schools, and one of the features of the celebration of the anniversary of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's death was the planting of trees. In the last resort, afforestation also is a matter which depends on the stability of the government. If hills are to be covered with pine, there must be a guarantee that the villages which plant can retain ownership and prevent the trees from being cut down without consent.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

The Estimates will come before the Reichstag shortly when it is considered likely that they will be considerably reduced in view of the state of the national finances.

Christianism is at present directed at the fact that the army of 300,000 needs an administrative staff of 2,700.—*Reuter.*

SERIOUS FORGERY CHARGE.

ALLEGED FRAUD ON LOCAL PORTUGUESE DOCTOR.

LAUNCH MORTGAGE.

Serious offences were named by the prosecution to-day in a case, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, which concerned the alleged forgery of a mortgage deed and disposal of an armed launch owned by the Po On Company of Canton. Mak Chan-long, a servant of the Company, was the defendant, and he was summoned by his employers on three counts as follows:

(a) that on February 9th, with intent to defraud, he forged the name of Ng Shing and the name of the Po On Company, of No. 27, Yat Tak Road, Canton, to a deed which purported to be a mortgage of the steam launch "San Chiu On" and to be made between Ng Shing and the Po On Company on the one part, and Dr. Basto, of Hongkong, on the other part.

(b) that on January 26th and February 22nd last, in Hongkong Harbour, being a servant of the Company, he did steal an arms licence, a launch licence, a Chinese assignment and also Chinese Maritime Customs permits, relating to the armed launch belonging to his employers, and

(c) that on February 9th, he did unlawfully obtain the sum of \$3,000 from Dr. Basto by falsely pretending, with intent to defraud, that he was owner of the steam launch.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Messrs. Russ and Co., appeared for the complainants, and Mr. Leo d'Admadre e Castro for the defendant.

Mr. Sheldon said that defendant was charged with the offence of forgery, and, subject to what his Worship possessed, he thought he must advise his client to apply for a warrant of arrest through his Worship. The facts were that a warrant of arrest had been applied for on charges of larceny and unlawful obtaining of money. Since that the defendant had committed forgery also.

That being the case, Mr. Sheldon commented, the man could be charged with a criminal offence instead of being merely summoned as he was now.

His Worship left the question of bail open while he adjourned the case.

THE INDIAN PRINCES.

RELATIONS WITH THE CROWN.

Calcutta, Feb. 24.

It is understood that the report of the Indian States Inquiry Committee appointed under the chairmanship of Sir Harcourt Butler to inquire into the relationship between the Ruling Princes in India and the British Government, deals broadly with two important subjects—the fiscal relations of the Princes with the Government of India and the political relations of the States with the Paramount Power.

It is believed that the Butler Committee has recommended complete fiscal autonomy and complete independence to the States in fixing or levying Customs charges, duties, or tariffs, except under certain conditions.

The Delhi Correspondent of the Statesman says the Committee is reported to have almost wholly rejected the theory built up by Sir Leslie Scott (who was consulted as counsel by the Princes) for direct relationship with the Crown, and has practically reaffirmed the contention that the Viceroy, as the representative of the Crown, is constitutionally quite fit to deal directly with the States.

Changes Advised.

In order to facilitate the working of this theory, the Committee is understood to have recommended certain changes in present methods and the reorganisation of the Political Department of the Government of India.

In the case of States in whose treaties it is specially laid down that the Government of India shall not entertain any petitions, complaints and appeals from the subjects of such States against the Ruler or his Administration, the Committee has recommended that, except when allegations of murder, gross immorality, or disloyalty are made these should not be entertained.

In the case of other States the Committee has laid down circumstances in which the Paramount Power should interfere in internal matters.

It is believed the Princes will be satisfied on the question of political relations.

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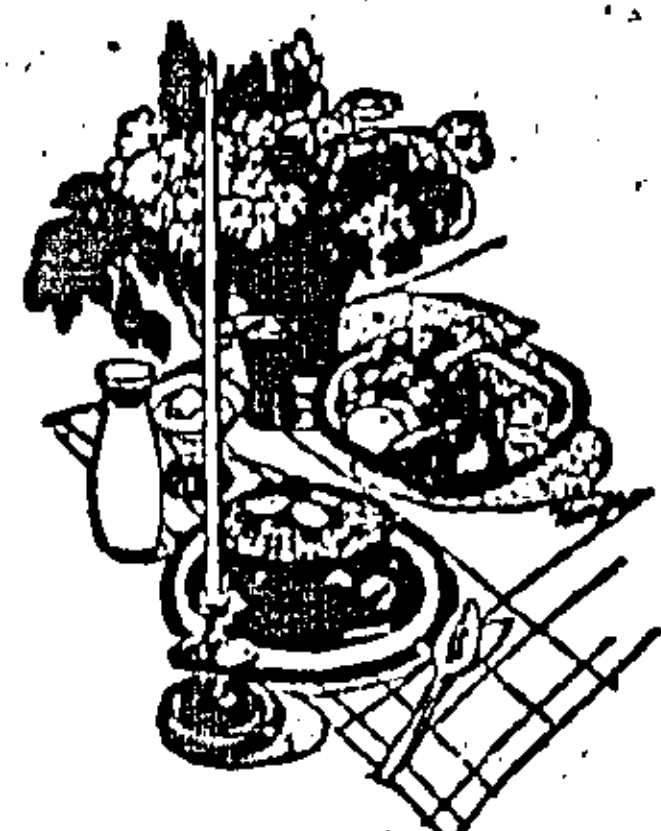
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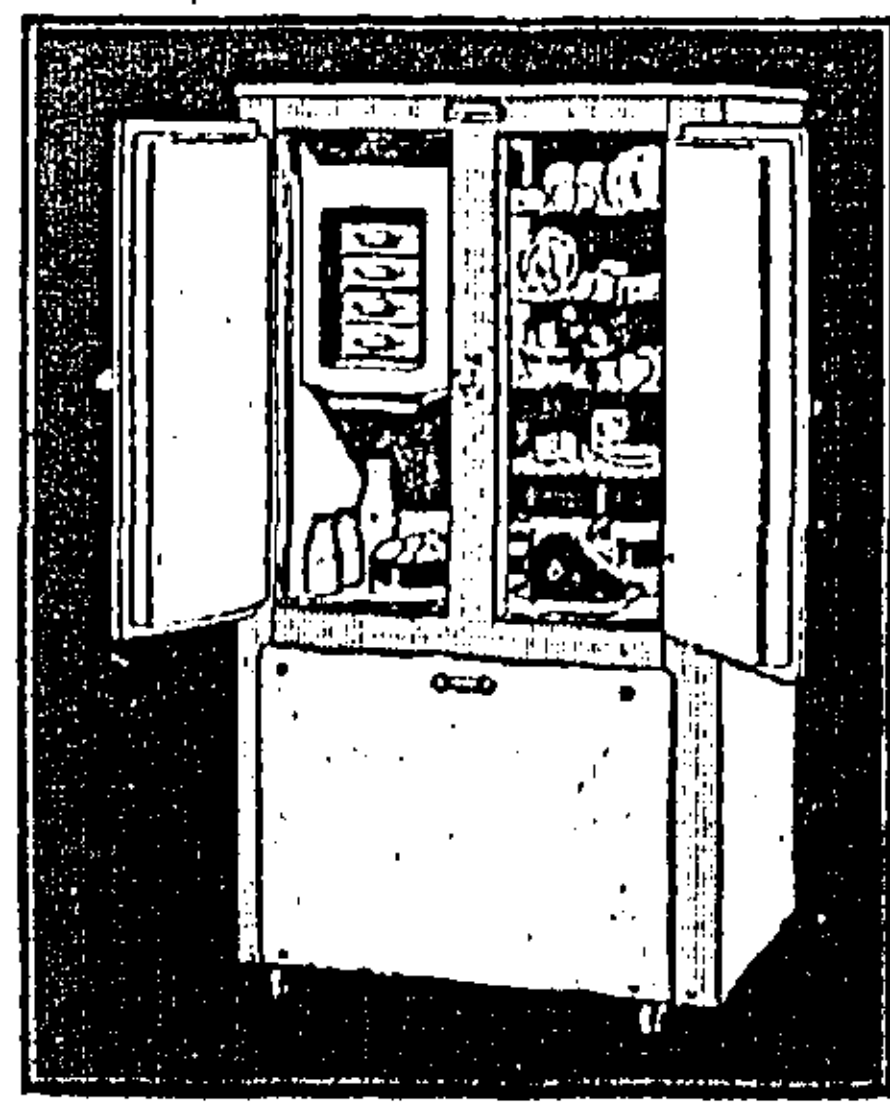
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CRICKET NOTES.

[By "Two Legs."]

As was generally expected, the University established themselves on Saturday as runners-up of the Senior Division. They have shown very consistent form all through the season with, however, one prominent exception when they lost rather sensationally to the Chinese, and the second place which they have won for themselves is a correct reflection of their strength.

A. T. Lee, essentially a bowler, played a conspicuous part in their victory over the Royal Artillery. After returning an analysis of 4 for 25, he made top score (46) for his side. Lee has had a very hard time of it but has hardly ever come off. And it might be just as well, too, if knocking off big scores is going to adversely affect his bowling as is so often the case with local cricketers. The University has enough sound batsmen to cope with the best League bowling and must retain at least a couple of bowlers of a little above the average standard.

On the R.A. side, Lt. Wright's splendid contribution of 46 at a very—critical period was most welcome as a complete breakdown in the batting was imminent. As it was, the visitors mustered only 114 runs which was a very light task for the youthful Pokfulam XI.

The University, who started their League fixtures very late indeed, on account of their examinations, have completed their programme, which is more than can be said of five other teams in the First Division. This is a splendid example of smooth organisation and close co-operation amongst the players, and is worthy of emulation. Such keenness, if it were more in evidence, would help considerably towards a smoother running of the competition and also take away a great deal of that staidness which is so apparent when things are dragged along until April. We have too many "straggler teams" than is good for the League.

In the Second Division, the Royal Army Ordnance Corps are making up for lost ground. They severely trounced the Electric R.C., making this their second victory in seven matches and after having lost seven in succession. If they keep up their present form I expect them to win their remaining three games and so finish up nearer the middle of the table. Their first three batsmen knocked the sting of the bowling of the E.R.C. and then Sgt. Anderson wrought havoc on the visiting side. There was also a strong contrast in the fielding of the two elevens, the soldiers showing up to much better advantage. The Extras against the Electric R.C. were unusually heavy (43 out of a total score of 171). If Akehurst was behind the stumps it must have been one of his rare "off" days.

The scoring in the Civil Service and Navy 2nd match was surprisingly low, considering that both teams were at 'practically full strength. The former's somewhat 'fortunate win has placed them a little higher in the table. The fifth position that they now occupy, however, rather flatters them.

There is nothing on the card officially for this week in the Senior Division, but I understand that the Indians have arranged to play off their postponed game with Craigengower. If this fixture had been played earlier in the season it would most likely have been an interesting and close tussle, but now, with Craigengower deteriorating each week, I am afraid it will turn out to be a very one-sided affair for the Sookumpoo team. In the Junior game, I think the University will have matters pretty much their own way when they visit Civil Service.

LOCAL RUGBY.

CLUB TEAM AGAINST ARMY.

The following will represent the Club against the Army in the Shield Match at Happy Valley at 5.15 on Monday:—P. T. Ride; J. Grive, G. A. L. Plummer, H. V. Koon, L. Goldman; J. L. Bonna; R. H. Dowler; J. Riddell, D. Milne; Day, E. R. West, P. L. P. Thomas, J. F. Akehurst, W. Lithgow Smith, J. A. E. Kendrew and W. Leckie.

FANLING HUNT.

THE GRAND NATIONAL MEETING.

[By "Ringtail."]

ACE of Spades, My Lady, San Francisco, Craigavad, Targot, Solitaire, Caviare, Blotting Paper, Fanling Stag, Duke of Neiblung, Dumbell, As You Like It and May are some of the first-class performers entered for the meeting of the Fanling Hunt which is to take place next Sunday, the 24th inst.

The principal event on the card is the Fanling Grand National over a distance of 2½ miles and should be won by either My Lady or Ace of Spades, who are considered two of the crack steeplechase ponies at our country meetings. Up to the present, these two ponies have not been opposed to each other, which makes it very difficult to decide as to which is the better.

Sunday's races should be most interesting in view of the variety of events, and judging by the first-class reports from the different stables, some good racing should be seen.

There are quite a number of new ponies who will be making their initial appearance before Fanling racegoers, but as I have not seen any of these ponies at work I am afraid I have no information to offer regarding their chances at the meeting over the week-end. The entries and handicaps are:

March Beef Stakes—Once round

Inside Course.
Winner \$100, 2nd \$50. For China Ponies. Winners at Kwantung this season of "more than two races barred. Catch-weight at 170 lbs. Bless, Caligula, Craigavad, Dumbell, Erin's Isle, Fanling Stag, Honeymoon, James Pigg, Kiangsu, May, Movanager, Ploughman, Solitaire, Targot, Why Not.

Spring Plate—About 1½ Miles on

National Course.
Winner \$100, 2nd \$50. For China Ponies that have started at Kwantung previous to this meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners this season of one race 5 lbs. penalty, of two races 8 lbs. penalty, of three or more races 14 lbs. penalty.

Ace of Spades (172), Blotting Paper (169), Caviare (161), Fanling Stag (158), Kam Ling (156), My Lady (175), Sea Hawk (152), Slang River (155).

March Maidens—About 1 Mile on

Inside Course.
Winner \$100, 2nd \$50. For China Ponies that have never won a steeplechase. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have started at Kwantung allowed 5 lbs.

As You Like It (163 lbs.), Bless (158), Brown Sherry (158), Charlie (155), Drake (150), Duke of Neiblung (158), Erin's Isle (158), Fire Call (153), Honeymoon (150), May (150), Montana (155), Ploughman (155), San Francisco (158), Sea Hawk (155), Six Hundred (150), Strathlone (153), Twilight Eve (155), Womver (150).

Fanling Grand National Handicap. About 2½ Miles on National Course. For a Challenge Cup to be held by the Winner for one year. Winner to receive a replica of the Challenge Cup, 2nd \$50, 3rd \$25. For China Ponies. Top weight 175 lbs., bottom weight 145 lbs.

Ace of Spades (175 lbs.), My Lady (175), Duke of Neiblung (168), San Francisco (158), James Pigg (155), Montana (155), Twilight Eve (155), As You Like It (145), Caviare (145), Fanling Stag (145), Movanager (145).

The Country Cup—About 1½ Miles on

National Course.
For a Cup, 2nd \$50. For China ponies that are in the opinion of the Joint Masters of the Fanling Hunt bona-fide "Country Ponies." Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of steeplechases to carry 5 lbs. penalty for each event won this season.

Blotting Paper (160 lbs.), Brown Sherry (158), Caligula (158), Caviare (161), Charlie (155), Craigavad (163), Drake (165), Dumbell (168), Fire Call (168), Kam Ling (165), Kiangsu (163), Slang River (165), Six Hundred (161), Solitaire (158), Strathlone (153), Why Not (155).

HAPPY VALLEY GOLF.

TIE IN THE ADAMSON CUP.

There were nine entries for the Adamson Cup Competition played at Happy Valley from the 8th to the 19th instant.

E. Moore (88-18-68) and G. McLeod (90-22-68) tied and qualified. Other scores were C. A. Grimes (88-18-70), B. E. Mungahan (96-24-71), and R. Clark (86-13-78).

LAWN TENNIS.

HONDA AND AKIYAMA WIN IN FIVE SETS.

In a long-drawn-out doubles match, T. Honda and T. Akiyama beat Major Lucas and Dr. Tottenham in five sets, in the Open Doubles on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground yesterday afternoon, the scores being 8-10, 0-3, 1-6, 6-3, 6-1.

The Japanese were the more consistent, and deserved their victory. They now meet the Rumjans in the semi-final but judging by the holders' exhibition the previous day, yesterday's winners will not start favourites. They were more accurate than Major Lucas and Dr. Tottenham, but were not as brilliant until the last two sets, when Honda was solely responsible for their victory.

The English pair were erratic in the opening stages but established an early lead which they maintained throughout the first set. They had slightly the better of the play, and won after 18 games. In the second set the Japanese fought hard for the lead and made the score 3-1 in their favour. They were steadier, and took the set after nine games.

Major Lucas found his form in the third set and was particularly brilliant at the net. He brought off some beautiful shots and with Dr. Tottenham, who had been most erratic in the previous set, playing a more consistent game, they had little difficulty in making the sets 2-1 in their favour.

The Japanese fought stubbornly and if anything their play improved in the fourth set. Honda was the more prominent of the two and was volleying well. Both made some almost impossible returns, especially with the Englishmen's smashes which lacked force. The Japanese asserted their superiority by taking the fourth set and then dominating the play in the final one. They took the first four games of the last set, and were playing at the top of their form.

They had the game well in hand then, but falling light threatened to deprive them of victory. The English pair took the fifth game and looked like winning another, but Honda and his partner made no mistake and took the match after seven games.

The game between Sewell and Lawrie and Redmond and Hale, was cancelled, the former pair receiving a walk-over.

The Results.

Open Doubles.—T. Honda and T. Akiyama beat Major Lucas and Dr. Tottenham 8-10, 0-3, 1-6, 6-3, 6-1; G. W. Sewell and J. G. Lawrie received a walk-over from F. A. Redmond and J. Hale.

Handicap Singles "A"—L. Goldman (owe 15/4) beat H. K. Remington (owe 3/8) 6-0, 6-3.

Handicap Singles "B"—T. J. Price (owe 2/8) beat M. D. Scott (owe 2/6) 6-2, 6-0.

Handicap Doubles.—A. H. Penn and A. C. I. Bowker (rec. 15) beat A. Piercy and W. D. Fiddes Wilson (Scr.) 6-4, 6-4.

To-day's Matches.

Open Singles.—Horace Lo v E. C. Fincher.

Open Doubles.—Ng Sze-kwong and Ho Ka-lau v J. S. McEachran and L. Goldman.

Handicap Singles "A"—D. S. Green (rec. 2/6) v J. Barrow (owe 3/8); S. E. Green (owe 15/1) v A. Piercy (rec. 6/6); L. Forster (owe 15) v W. A. Nowers (Scr.); H. J. Armstrong (owe 1/6) v J. A. Summers (rec. 2/6).

Handicap Doubles.—G. W. Sewell and G. C. Grove (owe 15/1) v E. K. Valentine and A. D. Humphreys (owe 5/6).

LOCAL BILLIARDS.

A WIN FOR CATHOLIC UNION.

A friendly billiards match took place last night at the Catholic Union Club, between the C. P. O.'s of H.M.S. Cornwall and the Catholic Union, and resulted in a win for the Catholic Union by a margin of 214 points.

The best breaks were Mr. C. F. Vas (45) and Mr. E. L. Barros (40). Scores:

H. M. S. Cornwall.

T. Hobley	114
J. Richards	200
B. Kimahan	69
R. Small	200
F. Phillips	200
F. Hlorns	168
	951.

Catholic Union Club.

C. F. Vas	200
A. A. M. Rodrigues	193
E. L. Barros	200
E. L. Vas	178
W. M. Barndat	194
M. A. Baptista	200
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TAMAR WHIST DRIVE.

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A whist drive in aid of the funds of the Ministering Children's League was held on board H.M.S. Tamar on Monday night, 142 players taking part. Thanks to the generosity of local firms who provided the principal prizes, a

"THE RINGER" ON THE SCREEN.

JUDGE DEFINES A SUPER FILM.

Mr. Justice Shearman, having seen privately the film version of Mr. Edgar Wallace's story, "The Ringer," concluded. In the King's Bench Division recently the hearing of the action arising out of the screen adaptation of the novel and delivered his judgment.

The plaintiff was Mr. Sydney Olcott, of Pall Mall, who claimed from the British Lion Film Corporation, Limited, of New Compton-street, London, £3,847 damages for alleged breach of contract.

The defendants denied any breach of contract, but alleged that it had been repudiated by Mr. Olcott. They counter-claimed for damages amounting to £2,917, which they said they had suffered as a result of the alleged repudiation.

Mr. Olcott, who was brought over from Hollywood to produce films for the defendant company at a salary of £450 per week for ten weeks, alleged that the scenario of "The Ringer" was unsuitable for a "super" film, and declined to produce the play in the form the scenario was submitted to him.

Sir Walter Schwabe, K.C., on behalf of the defendants, said that the questions to be considered were whether there was a breach of contract by Mr. Olcott, and was that breach by way of repudiation.

Mr. Justice Shearman did not call upon Sir Patrick Hastings to address the Court on behalf of Mr. Olcott. He added that he had read the book and seen the film.

"Not an Easy Case."

Mr. Justice Shearman, giving judgment, said the case to him had been an interesting one and not easy. Referring to his private view of the film, he said that he had no sooner returned from seeing it than he took up a newspaper when he saw something about a big film with super thrills in it.

"A 'super film' in my view," he continued, "is something that has an element of greatness about it, either great in its conception, or else in the method of treatment. I agree that when you come to 'super films' and programme films you cannot cut them up into two lengths and say this is one and that is the other. There are some on the boundary line.

The question in this case, said his Lordship, was whether "The Ringer" was or could be made a "super film." In his mind, the answer was obviously "No." There was an utter absence of anything in it remotely related to actual life.

"I do not want to belittle it; I see its merits, but this is the view that Mr. Olcott formed and I humbly follow."

No Reflection on Author.

When the defendant company was formed—and he (the Judge) was not casting any reflection upon Mr. Wallace—the public were asked to put their money on Mr. Edgar Wallace on the films. It was desired that he should be fully represented by engaging a distinguished producer of "super films," Mr. Olcott, and it was said in the prospectus that he was to direct personally at least two super films.

It seemed to him (the Judge), that "The Ringer" was incapable of treatment as a "super film," and that Mr. Olcott would have been wanting in his duty to his employers if he had not put that view forward.

"The defendants have failed to convince me," concluded his Lordship, "that there was any repudiation of the contract, or that they accepted repudiation. The result was that they dismissed the plaintiff from their service, and he is entitled to damages."

Judgment was entered accordingly for Mr. Olcott for the amount claimed with costs, and the counter-claim was dismissed with costs.

sum of over a hundred dollars was raised for the League.

The prize winners were as follows.—Ladies: 1. Mrs. Medina; 2. Mrs. Jones; 3. Miss Crossan; hidden number, Mrs. Sloan; booby, Mrs. Reynolds.

Men.—1. Mr. Moore; 2. Mr. Winfield; 3. Mr. Stobbs; hidden number, Mr. Adams; booby, "Fred."

The prizes were presented by Mrs. Byron, secretary of the Naval and Dockyard Branch of the M. C. L.

BOGUS MARRIAGE.

HARBOURING CHARGE
AGAINST "HUSBAND."

Charges of harbouring a young Chinese girl were brought against three Chinese, including two females, before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon. Mr. H. R. Butters, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, prosecuted.

In answer to the charge, the first defendant said that the girl had been fond of him and went to live with him. He did not make any enquiries and was not aware of the whereabouts of her parents. The second accused admitted that she had introduced the girl, at the request of the third defendant, to the man as his prospective wife. She took the girl to the man's house. The third defendant claimed that she was the first defendant's aunt and that the girl herself had wanted to live with the male defendant.

His Worship remarked that the first defendant's plea amounted to one of guilty but intimated that he would regard all the pleas as denials.

Mr. Butters, outlining the case, said that the girl resided in Hongkong with a woman who was stated to be her aunt, her mother being in the country. In December last year she was enticed or inveigled by the second defendant to leave her aunt. She was taken to a house in Yau-mai, where she stayed for about a month.

During the period she was in the house, the first defendant made his appearance and the girl went through a bogus marriage ceremony with him. The couple moved to another house where they lived as man and wife. Later the girl ran away to the country and, together with her mother and aunt, who had also returned to the country, came back to the Colony and reported the affair to the Police.

In reply to his Worship, Mr. Butters said that there was no evidence against the third defendant, except what the second defendant had said.

His Worship, after hearing the evidence, discharged the third defendant, while the other two were remanded till to-morrow.

CAPITAL REDUCTION.

SANCTION FOR ARMSTRONG
WHITWORTH'S.

London, Mar. 19.
The Chancery Division has sanctioned the scheme of arrangement involving a reduction in the capital of Armstrong, Whitworth's from £11,000,000 to £1,250,000.—*Reuter.*

DOCTOR PRAISED.

SERVICES IN SMALL POX
EPIDEMIC.

Reference to the small-pox epidemic was made by Mr. W. J. Carrie who presided at the usual fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday when a resolution was passed conveying to Dr. Lee Ying-yau an appreciation of his services rendered during the epidemic.

At the conclusion of the ordinary business of the Board, the President said he had a very pleasant duty to perform. As all members of the Board were aware, there had been an epidemic of small-pox in the Colony. It was also known that the department had been short-handed in the way of staff, but the Senior Inspector in Kowloon had done very well indeed.

However, there were matters which required to be put in the hands of a qualified doctor and there were instances of concealed cases and anonymous reports which had to be investigated. Senior Inspector Duncan in Kowloon had been compelled to enlist the services of Dr. Lee Ying-yau and had gone to him frequently, always receiving an immediate response.

Mr. Carrie added that Dr. Lee had an extensive private practice, but in spite of this he had given his services most readily and had also used his own car, putting himself to a certain amount of personal expense. He thought, therefore, that the Board should express its appreciation of the services rendered by Dr. Lee in the small-pox epidemic and suggested that a letter should be written by the Secretary to him in the name of the Board.

The Hon. Dr. S. W. Tso seconded and suggested that in view of the public spirited way in which Dr. Lee had come forward in the present epidemic, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs should be acquainted with the services he had rendered.

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga said that as the Kowloon member of the Board, he would like to associate himself with the remarks of the President and the Hon. Dr. Tso. He thought that not only was the board indebted to Dr. Lee for his services at a time when the department was short-handed but the Colony as a whole owed him its thanks.

Mr. Braga said he was glad the President had taken the opportunity of bringing his services forward so that the Board had an opportunity of thanking Dr. Lee for his work. He hoped that any letter of appreciation sent to him would be referred to the Colonial Secretary for the attention of H. E. the Governor.

Mr. Carrie said it might be suggested that no expression of the Board's appreciation should be made until the epidemic of small-pox was over, but the department now had an Assistant Medical

THE RECLAMATION.

CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW
PUBLIC PIER.

Another important step toward the development of the new reclamation at Wanchai lies behind the rather bare statement made by the Harbour Master to the effect that the Prosperpine Rocks are being removed and that mariners are warned that they are prohibited from approaching to within 100 yards of these rocks under penalty of \$100.

A new public pier has been constructed opposite the low square building under construction for the Kwong Sang Hong Co. outside the reclamation. This building is painted white and forms a conspicuous land-mark to those living on the Praya.

A visit paid to the vicinity by a representative of the S. C. M. Post revealed that the work of building the pier itself is finished and it needs only a few more touches to make it complete. It has been constructed very much on the same lines as Blakes Pier, its dimensions being approximately 35 yards long and 15 yards broad.

The site occupied by the rocks was surrounded by water floats and workmen were seen on a boat working on a pump. It is understood that two divers are employed in the operation and blastings take place at noon and 5 p.m. daily.

The rocks would be in the way of vessels intending to approach this pier if they are not removed, hence the decision by the authorities to do so. The work of removing the rocks is in the hands of the Port Development Department, in which Mr. Adam Anderson, B.E., B.A., is Engineer-in-Charge.

Mr. Anderson told a S. C. M. Post representative that the rocks would be completely removed in about three or four months.

Officer of Health and the Senior Inspector in Kowloon would now be able to call upon him.

Shamshui Market.

With reference to a minute by the President in connexion with the allotment of stalls for the sale of bean curd and salt fish in markets, Mr. Carrie said that in 1918 the Board approved the allotment of stalls in Shamshui market. There were stalls licensed for the sale of fruit and vegetables and also sundries, the latter including bean curd and salt fish.

Some stalls, however, now only sold sundries, which involved a waste of market space as both bean curd and salt fish could be sold outside a market. He proposed, therefore, that the stallholders should sell fruit and vegetables and sundries or give up their stalls, being given until June 30 to make up their minds. He did not propose to cancel licences providing the stallholders sold food which should be sold in a market. Mr. Wong Kwong-kin seconded and the resolution was carried.

MONGKOK ROBBERY.

TWO MEN ACQUITTED AT
THE SESSIONS.

The jury after hearing the evidence in the case in which Ho Chok-lam and Leung Ching were charged with committing a robbery at No. 239, Portland Street, Mongkok, on February 4, 1929, brought in verdicts of not guilty against both men who were accordingly discharged, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday. His Lordship, Mr. Justice Wood, remarked he could see that there was a reasonable doubt from the evidence.

Prisoner's Alibi.
When the prisoners were asked if they wanted to make any statement, Ho Chok-lam averred that he had been wrongly identified, while Leung Ching put forward an alibi that on February 4, at the time of the robbery, he escorted his wife from Kowloon to Hongkong to catch a boat on which she returned to the country.

The prisoner's wife gave evidence of a corroborative nature and two telephone company employees, who said they had lived with the prisoner, also stated that his wife left about that time, but they could not remember the date.

After his Lordship had summed up, the jury retired and returned verdicts of not guilty against both men, who were accordingly discharged.

In discharging the men, his Lordship remarked he could quite see that there was a reasonable doubt from the evidence.

Addressing the jury, he said that if they were required to attend again they would be informed.

FEAST CELEBRATED.

CONCERT AT ST PATRICK'S
CATHOLIC CLUB.

A most enjoyable concert was given in the Hall of St. Patrick's Catholic Club, Garden Road, to celebrate the Feast of St. Patrick. The items were well chosen and exceptionally well rendered, the whole concert being above the ordinary amateur standard. The opening number was a pianoforte duet by the Rev. Fr. Riganti and Prof. Gualdi, fantasia from "Faust." This was followed by a recitation by Miss E. Carroll, who, later, assisted by Miss N. May, responded to an encore for their Irish jig. Choral numbers were in the capable hands of the Aloha Serenaders, who delighted the audience with their Hawaiian melodies. The choir of St. Joseph's College, under the direction of Fr. Riganti, gave "O Peaceful Night" by E. German, and "Angels that around us hover" from Wallace's "Maritana." Then came the "Wizard of the Navy," who made things appear and disappear.

Recitations and monologues by Miss M. Watts, M.A., and Mrs. M. Bunje were followed by violin solos by Master F. Abraham.

Mr. G. D'Aquino sang Tosti's "Could I" and "Come Back to Erin," and Father Gallagher, S. J., gave four really typical Irish melodies. Mr. R. M. Omar's impersonations further added to the enjoyment of the programme.

Fr. Riganti and Prof. Gualdi were the accompanists, and the stage management was in the capable hands of Mr. Blake.

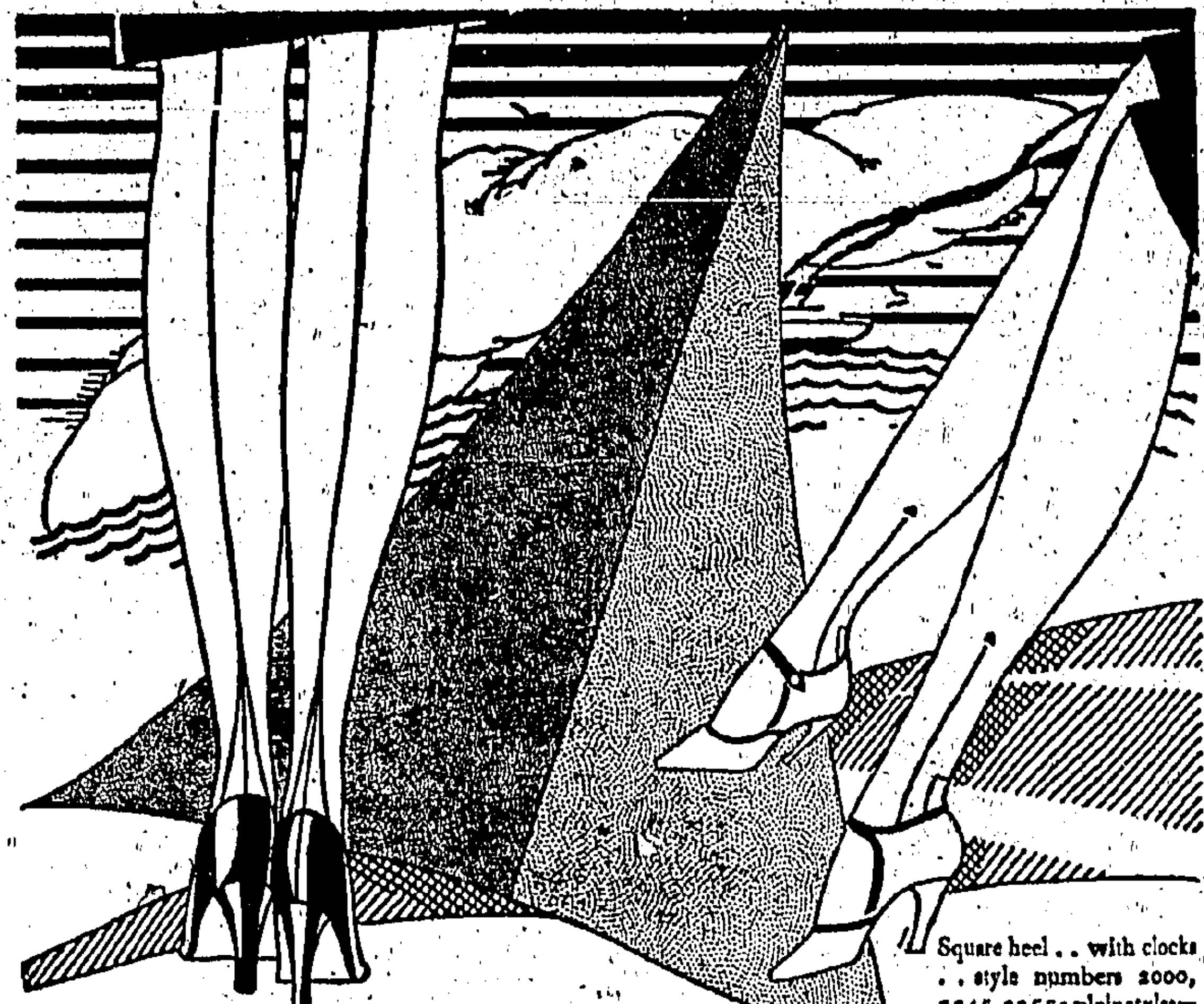
JAPANESE TRADE.

A BIG DECLINE IN TRADE
WITH CHINA.

During last month Japan's export trade amounted to 146,000,000 yen, according to advices received by the Japanese Consulate General. Trade with China showed a considerable decline during the month, mainly due to increased exports to China during January in anticipation of the new Customs duties. The result was that trade with China totalled 28,000,000 yen, there being an excess of imports over exports of 8,900,000 yen. The former figure shows a decline of 13,000,000, as compared with January, and a decline of 11,000,000 compared with the same month in the previous year.

The Yokohama Specie Bank was obliged to continue lowering exchange quotations up to the latter end of February. The financial market has remained easy with the loan market showing some animation. Industrial circles and stock goods markets are depressed owing to the cautious attitude which prevails. The share market is also dull, there being no demand for funds.

The main features of the Tariff Revision Bill to be put before the present session of the Diet are the total abolition of duties on luxuries which could be taxed in accordance with the Statutory Tariff rates, and the abolition of duties on such articles as black tea, coffee, honey, jam, fruits, jelly, cheese, cameras and ginger.



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Nanking, Mar. 19.

The Government won an important victory at this afternoon's session of the Kuomintang Congress, when the proposed general principles of the period of political tutelage, as adopted by the Central Executive Committee, was passed by an overwhelming majority, thus signifying the Congress' recognition of the present Government.

Mr. Sun Fo introduced his economic reconstruction programme, which includes the construction of 20,000 miles of railway and 10,000 miles of motor roads. Mr. Sun Fo proposes raising \$500,000,000 yearly for fifty years, as follows:

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Reinstatements.

A number of important leaders who were expelled from the Party at the Western Hills conference, for opposing the admission of Communists to the Party, were reinstated this afternoon, among whom is Chang Chi, who was chairman of the recently dissolved Peking Branch Political Council.

A number of reports from district Kuomintangs were submitted to the Congress. Amusement was caused through inability of the overseas delegates to understand Mandarin, and for their benefit the speeches were translated into Cantonese.

The congress began at 2.20 and closed at five o'clock. It is meeting again to-morrow morning.—*Reuter.*

Chengtao Evacuated.

Shanghai, Mar. 19.
The Kuomin news agency's correspondent at Changsha reports that troops belonging to Yeh Chi have evacuated Chengtao, in western Hunan, and retreated to their original garrison post at Yochow.—*Reuter.*

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ANOTHER VICTIM OF HOTEL FIRE.

INJURED MAN DIES IN HOSPITAL.

The death-roll in the King Edward Hotel fire has been further increased by the death in the Government Civil Hospital on Monday night of To Chat, a room boy who was injured in the fire.

This brings the death-roll up to eleven, those losing their lives being Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Robson, Mr. William Wood, Monsieur Paul Daille, Mr. Stephen Kish, Mr. Enos Seth, Dr. (Mrs.) Tsui Kan-shui, Mr. Wong Kwong-leung, Cheung Kai-kong, Leung Kwan and To Chat.

To Chat received burns and other injuries in the fire and was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital early on Monday morning, March 11. His funeral took place yesterday, being largely attended by the staff of the King Edward Hotel. The other member of the staff to meet his death in the fire was Leung Kwan.

To Chat was awakened about three o'clock on the morning of the fire by Mr. Cheung Fu-kwong, one of the owners of the business of the King Edward Hotel. The boy unlocked a room for Mr. Cheung, who soon afterwards heard To Chat shouting to the lift boy that it was "too smoky."

What happened after that is vague at the moment, but it is understood that To Chat later found himself trapped by the flames and was unable to leave the hotel by the staircase or fire escape. He had received burns by this time, but on looking over the verandah saw that a jumping sheet was being held out and he made a jump into this. To Chat was 62 years of age.

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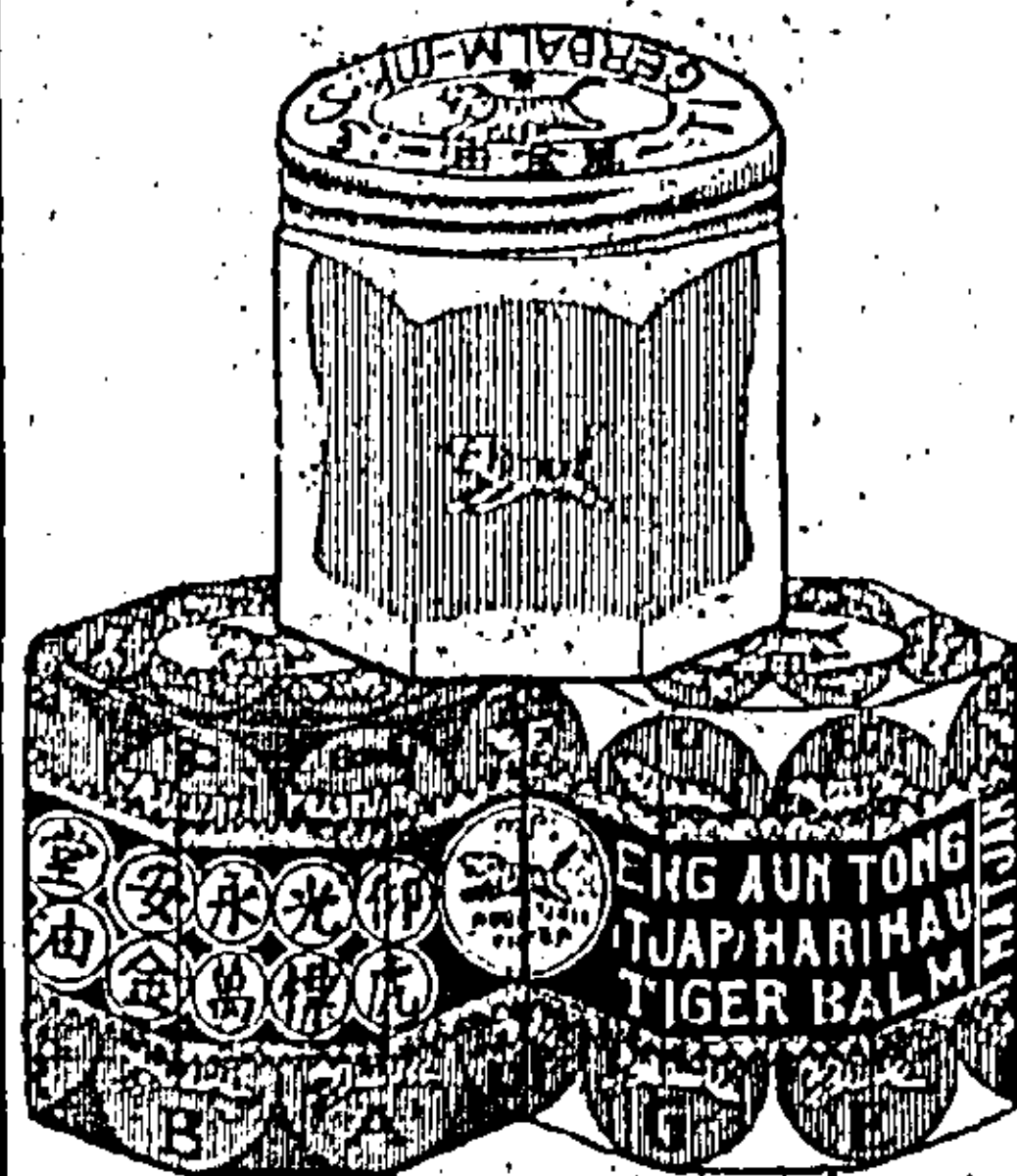
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GIessen WRECK.

ONLY THE KEEL HOLDING HER TOGETHER.

Shanghai, Mar. 15.
Last news of the Norddeutscher freighter Giessen was that she was still afloat with a broken back, supported by Button Rock. The hull has split and only the keel holds the fore and aft parts of the vessel together. The waves are lifting and lowering the two parts, placing a tremendous strain on the keel, which is expected to snap at any moment and send the two sections sliding off the rock to the bottom. Soundings taken on either side of the projecting piece of Button Rock on which the Giessen is stranded show deep water all round.

Members of the crew reached Shanghai yesterday on the tug St. Samson and were transferred to one of the Norddeutscher Lloyd vessels in harbour, where they were given a good meal and a chance to sleep before being taken to the Savoy Hotel, where they are being put up. Captain J. Oteken and the Chief Officer are remaining near Button Rock on the tug Saucy, which was still standing by.

Almost immediately in Two.

From the story of survivors as told to a representative of the N. C. D. News, the Giessen struck Button Rock at about 10.30 p.m. on Tuesday night. So great was the force of impact that the ship almost immediately broke in two between No. 3 hold and the engine room, a rush of water coming into the engine room and dousing the dynamo, putting lights and wireless immediately out of commission. The tide was so high that the Giessen was firmly stuck by the time the waters receded slightly.

The ship took a heavy list very soon after striking and this hampered the efforts of the crew to lower away the boats. Only one big boat and one small one could be got into the water. After being stranded in this position for some time, never knowing when the vessel would break properly and sink, the crew sighted the P. & O. S. Khiva steamer, and the weather was thick and misty and only repeated rockets and flares attracted the attention of the British liner, which immediately heaved to and came as close as possible to the wreck.

Discovering that the crew of the Giessen were safe, having boats enough to land them on the rock, the commander of the Khiva, according to the stories told, did not lower any of his own boats to the rescue, and risk them and his men in the heavy seas which were running. One boat containing seven men from the wrecked steamer, managed to reach the liner, however, and were taken on board. The remainder sought safety on the rock. They landed on the rock about midnight.

It was bitterly cold there, but the stranded men found an hospitable host in the Chinese light-house keeper, who provided them with a meal of rice and distributed among them his supply of cigarettes. Later the sailors were able to board the Giessen again and collect more clothing and some blankets. There were distributed among the crew, and with them they managed to keep warm.

Arrival in Shanghai.

Being a mail-carrier, the Khiva stood by only until the arrival of the Saucy and then left for Hongkong. The Saucy found it difficult to approach the rock near enough to take off the survivors until after the arrival of the St. Samson, and the men were taken on board the latter tug at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. They arrived in Shanghai about 3 p.m. yesterday and were met by agents of the company with another supply of warm clothing. Most of them appeared to be spent and exhausted, disinclined to talk until they had had some chance to refresh themselves.

It is understood that none of them are seriously the worse for their 36 hours' exposure and hardship.

The tug Saucy is still standing by, although nothing can be done now in regard to saving the ship, but suspicious craft have been seen in the vicinity and it is thought that an attempt at piracy might be made. The Saucy, therefore, will remain by the ill-fated vessel until further assistance arrives.

We understand that the Tokyo Salvage Co.'s salvage ship, Nasu Maru, in charge of Capt. Miyazaki, has left Nagasaki for the wreck when a report of the chances of saving the vessel and cargo will be made by wireless. Capt. Miyazaki was in charge of the salvage operation on the Glen Line str. Glenamoy some years ago when she was wrecked. After temporary repairs the vessel was refloated, towed to Japan and completely repaired. She is still running on the London-Far Eastern run.

How short of rations the men had been could be gauged by their welcome of a good dinner at the Savoy.

Carried by Current.

Later one of them told the following story:

We struck at 10.30 or 11. The ship heeled over and snapped in two, the wireless between the masts breaking overhead owing to the parting of the ship broadside against the rock and gave us a heavy list so that we could not easily launch the boats.

We managed, however, to launch a big boat and some of us went on to the island. We were wet and it was very cold indeed. We had nothing to eat for 30 hours, except some rice from the two Chinese at the lighthouse. We went on to the island about 12.30 on Tuesday morning, but the captain stuck to the ship until 3 a.m. before he left her, when there seemed no chance of doing anything to save her.

We were wet and cold on the island. There was nothing to keep us warm. It was very rough and the little ship had to wait a long time to take us on board. But when we got on board we were warm.

The only explanation of the accident which could be got from the junior members of the crew was that there was a strong current and the seas were so big that the ship could not be properly controlled. According to them, the ship was carried out of her course, which should have cleared the Button Rock, and dashed against a tooth of rock outstanding from the main rock. The force of the waves which swept the vessel into this position was such that it heeled her broadside over, a sharp jutting ridge catching her almost amidships. There being no rocks to support the bow or stern, the vessel broke its back, and when they last saw it the bow and stern, except for a small portion of the stern deck, were under water.

RADIO BROADCAST.

THE LOCAL PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY.

Broadcast by Z.B.W. on 350 metres, 5.30-5.30 p.m. Programme of Chinese Music, (Records, supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. Singer Co.).

7.45 p.m. Evening Weather Report. 8 p.m. Evening Programme, (Columbia Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. Anderson and Co.).

"The Merchant of Venice" (F. Rosse),

No. 1 Prelude.

No. 2 Intermezzo "Portia."

No. 3 Oriental March.

Organ Solo, Quentin M. MacLean.

"Faust," (Gounod), Vocal Gens.

Miriam Licette and Chorus.

"Song of the Sea" (Debussy).

Organ Solo, Quentin M. MacLean.

"La Gioconda" (Ponchielli).

"Madame Butterfly" (Puccini).

La Scala Chorus of Milan.

"Hark, Hark, the Lark."

"Quartet in E flat—Allegro."

"La Traviata—Chorus of Gipsies."

(Verdi), (Debussy).

"Mephistopheles" (Debussy).

La Scala Chorus of Milan.

"Le Maschere" (Sinfonia, (Mascagni).

Milan Symphony Orchestra.

"Song of the Sea" (Debussy).

Organ Solo, Quentin M. MacLean.

Trio (No. 1) in E flat.

Schubert—Op. 99.

Allegro Moderato.

Andante Ur Poco Mosso.

Scherzo; Allegro Vivace.

Yell D'Aranyi (Violin):

Felix Salmend (Cello):

Myra Hess (Pianoforte).

"Sanctuary of the Heart."

"In a Monastery Garden."

Organ Solo, Patman.

"This Year of Grace" (Coward).

Selection, The London Pavilion Orchestra.

"Impromptu No. 1 in F Minor" (Schubert).

Piano Solo, Ethel Leginska.

10.10 p.m. News Bulletin.

"Impromptu No. 2 in A flat,"

"Impromptu No. 4 in F minor,"

(Schubert).

Piano Solo, Ethel Leginska.

"Tchaikowskian."

Paul Whiteman and His Orchestra.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

VERTICAL ASCENT.

LIFTING POWER OF THE HELICOPTRE.

London, Mar. 19.
Lecturing to the Royal Aeronautical Society, Signor Shacco, inventor of the Helicoptre flying machine, designed for vertical ascent and landing, said that experiments conducted with two machines made for the French Government had shown, that, with fifty horse power, 1,320 pounds could be raised.—British Wireless.



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LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.
PLOW, BLOW, BLOT, BOOT,
FOOT, FORT, FORM, FARM.

GRIM MURDER.

SAMPAN GIRLS DONE TO DEATH.

Following a report made at the Water Police Station yesterday morning by the master of cargo junk No. 10337, the murder squad of the local Police Force was set in motion throughout yesterday in the attempt to locate a junk foki who is alleged to have murdered two girls and assaulted a youth with a chopper.

According to the statement made by the junk master, at the Water Police Station, on Monday morning his two daughters went ashore in order to secure some business for his junk. At six o'clock in the evening, the master sent a foki named Chau Kau in a dinghy to fetch his two daughters, giving him instructions to meet them at the Wing Lok Street Wharf. The master's son, named Cheung Kau also went with the foki to meet his sisters.

Up to a late hour on Monday night the party did not return to their junk, and the master began to feel uneasy for his children's welfare. He went ashore and made a personal search through the night, without any result, so that early yesterday morning he made a report to the authorities.

Corpse Found in Boat.

As a result of his report, a police launch was sent out specially to search for the dinghy. The police came across a dinghy drifting in the harbour near Green Island, where they found the body of one of the daughters, savagely hacked, with wounds in the head, arms and body.

The son of the master was traced to Kowloon Hospital, where he informed the authorities that the foki, Chau Kau, had attacked his two sisters and himself with a chopper. The two girls were killed, and he himself escaped with injuries and cuts to his arms. He jumped overboard when he was attacked, and was picked up by some junk people who later transferred him on board the s.s. Hellas, whence he was removed to the Kowloon Hospital.

The two murdered girls were aged respectively 17 and 19, the body of the younger girl being found in the drifting dinghy. The injured youth is only 18 years of age. The missing foki, for whom the police are now searching, is described as a native of Macao and is believed to be about twenty years of age.

A RESIGNATION.

LORD LOVAT'S HEALTH REQUIRES STEP.

London, Mar. 19. It is announced that Lord Lovat has been compelled, by considerations of health, to tender his resignation of the Chairmanship of the Overseas Settlement Committee, and the Prime Minister has regrettably accepted it.

Lord Lovat, who was formerly Under Secretary for the Dominions, set out recently to visit Canada, Australia and New Zealand in connection with overseas settlement. Shortly after his arrival in New Zealand from Canada, ill-health necessitated a cancellation of his visit to Australia.—British Wire-less.

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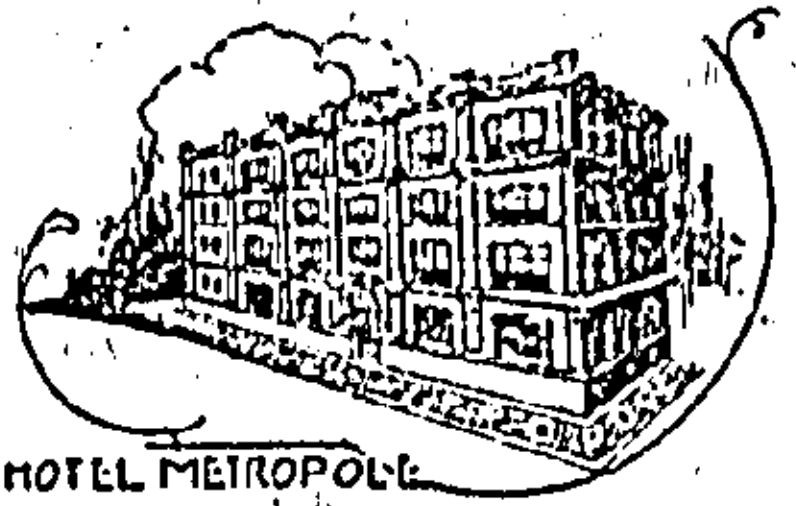
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BIG RISE IN PRICE OF PETROL.

COMPANIES SEEK TO JUSTIFY
THE INCREASE.

GOVERNMENT'S STUDY.

London, Mar. 19.
Replying to Commander Ken-
worthy, who requested a further
statement regarding the price of
petrol and other oils in England,
Mr. Stanley Baldwin said that he
had received a long statement to-
day from the companies concerned
which will be published.
He added that it was much too
early to say whether the answer
was satisfactory to the Government.
Mr. J. H. Thomas suggested that
the preferable course would have
been to the Government to con-
sider the question and to give judg-
ment.

Mr. Baldwin disagreed, express-
ing the opinion that the matter was
of such general public interest that
the fullest publicity was desirable.
A joint statement was issued to
the Press to-day by the Anglo-
American, the Anglo-Persian and
the Shell-Mex companies justifying
the increased price of petroleum
products.

Statistics are given in support of
their contention, that the price of
motor-spirit and kerosene in Brit-
tain has, for a long time, been much
below the world prices, owing to the
sale of Soviet supplies far below
the level of world values.

This action compelled the signa-
tories to the agreement to meet the
situation, or to withdraw wholly or
in part from the trade.

In February, however, arrange-
ments were made with the Soviet
authorities terminating the price
war, which has existed for almost
two years.

This permitted a return towards
world prices in Great Britain, and
which, in the long run, is essential
to the maintenance of supplies to
the British Market.—*Reuter.*

SINGAPORE BASE DEBATE.

LABOUR PARTY RETURNS TO THE ATTACK.

REDUCTION OF WAGES.

London, Mar. 19.
A warm debate developed in the
House of Commons to-day arising
out of the Navy Estimates, when
the Labour Party renewed their
periodical attacks on the Singa-
pore Base.

The activities of the Conserva-
tive Government in connexion with
the Base were keenly criticised,
and a Labour motion was put to
the House for a reduction in the
vote to the Navy.

In addition to the assertion that
the Singapore Base was calculated
to arouse the suspicions of other
nations, notably Japan, the Labour
spokesmen declared that one of the
recent developments, the reduction
of the wages of the labourers at
Singapore, was the result of com-
plaints by the local planters that
the naval contractors were taking
away their labour.

Lt. Col. C. M. Headlam, replying
for the Admiralty, denied that the
reduction of wages was due to this
reason.

The Labour motion was defeated
by 146 votes to 73, and the Navy
vote was agreed.—*Reuter.*

GERMANY OPPOSED TO POISON-GAS.

REICHSTAG COMMITTEE FAVOURS PROTOCOL.

Berlin, Mar. 19.
The Foreign Affairs Committee
of the Reichstag has adopted a
Bill to give effect to the Geneva
Protocol prohibiting the use of
poison gas during wartime.

Herr von Schubert, Under-
Secretary for Foreign Affairs,
emphasised that the Protocol was
the best means of dispelling any
erroneous belief that Germany had
anything to hide in respect of
chemical warfare.—*Reuter.*

VICEROY OF INDIA.

TO PAY SHORT VISIT TO ENGLAND.

London, Mar. 19.
It is officially announced that
the Secretary of State for India
has invited Lord Irwin, the
Viceroy, to come to England in
June on short leave, not to exceed
four months, in order to secure a
personal discussion with him.

Lord Irwin has accepted the
invitation, provided the state of
public affairs permits.

H.M. the King has approved
the appointment of Viscount
Gochen, Governor of Madras, to
act as Viceroy during Lord Irwin's
absence.—*Reuter.*

CENTENARY BOAT RACE PROMISE.

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crew has given the slightest indi-
cation of staleness. Both are
keyed up to the finest point, and
the splendid times recorded by
both in full course trials last
week definitely indicates that it
will be a classic struggle.

Cambridge, who have won the
race for the past five years
successively, are the popular
favourites, but expert opinion still
wavers.

Both crews have finished their
hard training and are taking easy
practice daily.

It is generally accepted that
the Oxford team is superior at
stroke, where Graham's deter-
mination may turn the scale.—*Reuter.*

The probable crews are:

Cambridge.	Oxford.
1. Norman Butler (Eton and Third Trinity) (bow) 11 8	1. H. C. Morphet (Geelong and Bracones) (bow) 12 4 1/2
2. "J. E. E. (Marlborough and Trinity Hall) 12 2 1/2	2. G. E. Godber (Bedford and New College) 12 8
3. R. A. Davies Cooke (Eton and Trinity Hall) 12 2 1/2	3. S. Macdonald (St. John's and New College) 12 4 1/2
4. "J. E. E. (Oundle and First Trinity) 13 1	4. J. M. Macdonald (Winchester and Magdalen) 12 8
5. "M. H. Warriner (Harrow and First Trinity) 13 0 1/2	5. C. F. Jock (Rockingham and Pembroke) 12 0
6. "J. H. Collins (Eton and Third Trinity) 14 4 1/2	6. J. A. Inglis (Trinity and University) 13 5
7. C. F. Wood (Westminster and Third Trinity) 11 12 1/2	7. D. E. Tinsie (Eton and University) 11 12
8. A. Brocklebank (Eton and Third Trinity) (stroke) 11 6	8. A. Graham (Eton and Bracones) (st.) 11 2
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Boat Race it is not the hundredth.
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and the spirit prompting it are
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This donation brings the
amount so far received by the
Telegraph to \$6,053.50 and
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Although Cambridge have won
eight of the nine races since the
war, the records stand: Oxford,
40 wins, Cambridge 38 wins.
Dead heat in 1877.

NEW DEVELOPMENT IN AFGHANISTAN.

BACHA SAKAO TOLD MORE OR LESS, TO RETIRE.

Peshawar, Mar. 19.
General Nadir Khan, the former
Afghanistan War Minister and
Generalissimo, who recently ar-
rived in the country from Nice
with a view to assisting in the
establishment of peace, has in-
vited Bacha Sakao (Habibullah
Khan) to discuss the question of
"selecting a ruler."

He puts it this way on the
ground that Bacha Sakao lacks the
necessary kingly qualifications,
and he threatens that if Bacha
Sakao declines to co-operate, he
will use his influence to create a
tribal rising.—*Reuter.*

OSLO DELIRIOUSLY EXCITED.

WONDERFUL RECEPTION TO
PRINCE AND BRIDE.

WEDDING TO-MORROW.

Oslo, Mar. 19.
The Crown Prince Olaf and his
bride-to-be were tumultuously
welcomed on their arrival for the
wedding which takes place to-
morrow. The Crown Prince
arrived at the station an hour
ahead of the Princess Martha, and
was greeted by King Haakon.

Father and son were cheered in
the sharp staircase Norwegian
fashion as they drove to the
Palace.

Later the Royal Party, now
accompanied by Queen Maud, re-
assembled at the station to wel-
come the bride, who arrived in a
special decorated train, covered
with garlands and flags.

Prince Olaf proudly introduced
her to the notabilities on the plat-
form. The happy couple then
entered a four-horse landau and
drove to the Palace along Karl
Johan Street, one of the finest in
Europe.

A glowing popular welcome was
extended to the Princess, who con-
tinually blew kisses to the
enthusiastic crowds.

The Crown Prince and Princess
Martha later appeared on the
balcony of the Palace in response
to a storm of cheers. There was a
thrilling climax when the King
and Queen joined them, the
spectators fervently singing the
Norwegian and Swedish national
anthems. There is delicious
enthusiasm in the capital for the
first Royal Wedding since 1689.—*Reuter.*

WOMAN COMMUNIST EXECUTED.

ATTEMPT TO REVIVE RED RULE IN CANTON.

TWO MORE ARRESTS.

Canton, Mar. 19.
On receipt of information to the
effect that a gang of Communists
had assembled in the Tungkuo
district with the object of making
sedition speeches and inducing
peasants to join them, the police
authorities sent out a squad of
police and detectives to the dis-
trict.

Three Communists were arrested,
one being a young woman
twenty years of age. She was
brought back here for trial
together with the other two Com-
munists. It was afterwards dis-
closed that she was, at one time,
on the Executive Committee of the
Women's Reformation Association
of Canton and adviser to Mrs.
Liao Chung-kai, a notable "Leftist"
who is believed to be at Moscow.

It is said that she was a very
good-looking woman, smartly
dressed, with bobbed hair and
horn-rimmed spectacles. She ad-
mitted that she, together with
other Communists, had plotted to
stir up a riot at the Tungkuo
district and intended to restore the
Communist regime at Canton.

She was executed yesterday
afternoon by order of the
Canton Government.—*Nam Chung*
Poa.

MURDER IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

LATEST CRIME BY ARMED ROBBERS.

From the district station of
Sheungshui, a report has been re-
ceived of an armed robbery and
murder which occurred early this
morning in the village of Fung
Wing Woo.

Information is scant in regard
to the affair but it is indicated
that in the course of an armed
robbery by three men, the victim,
a 52-year-old peasant named Yip
Shing-lun who lived in an isolated
hut, was killed.

Whether he was shot or murder-
ed with some other weapon is not
disclosed although the preliminary
report received at Central Police
Headquarters mentioned that one
of the robbers was armed with a
revolver.

After the raid, the robbers es-
caped over the border, in the direc-
tion of Mook Poo.

Paris, Mar. 19.
It is definitely announced by the
War Office, following the com-
plaints against leading Rhineland
officers arising out of the influenza
epidemic among the French
troops, that General Goubeau has
been reprimanded, while General
de Portouneaux and Colonel
Marmont have been relieved of
their commands.—*Reuter.*

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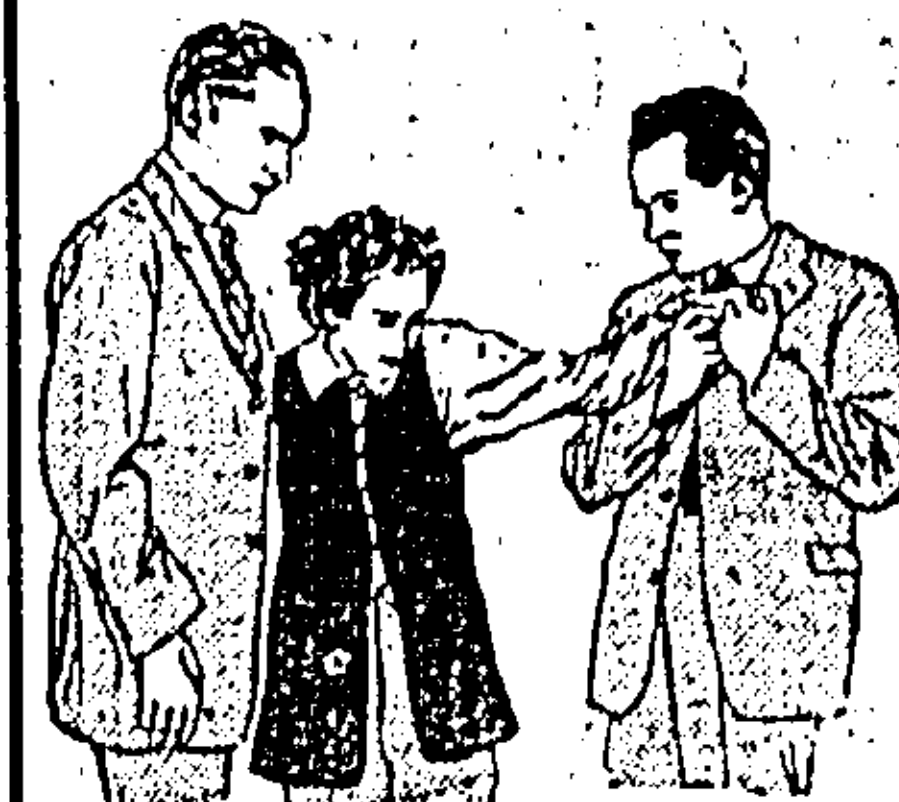
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